THE WEATHER.

Rain Sunday or Sunday night and probably Monday, warmer Sunday; moderate northeast to east winds.

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BIG LINER RACES FOR NEW RECORD

Mauretania Making Strenuous Effort to Complete Round Trip in 12 Days

AT NEW YORK ONLY 38 HOURS

British Sea-Going Journalist Comes Over to "Do" America—Has Sightseeing and Dodging Some Talking.

New York, Dec. 17.—Thirty-eight hours after she put in at her dock the turbine racer Mauretania slipped out again at 6 o'clock tonight and it was the hope of her captain, W. T. Turner, to complete the round trip from Liverpool in 12 days and thus establish a new world's record. On board was W. R. Holt, the British sea-going journalist, who came over to "do" America for his paper in the 38 hours between trips.

The Mauretania was ready to sail shortly after noon, although Capt. Turner had expected to have his hands full in getting ready for the scheduled departure at 6 o'clock. The 800 tons of cargo, principally apples, was stored by swarms of longshoremen. The bunkers received their 6,200 tons from a fleet of 36 barges.

The ship's laundry, 40,000 pieces of linen, rushed ashore the minute the Mauretania docked yesterday morning was back again, and the refrigerators were re-stocked with provisions. Three quarters of an hour before sailing time the last of thousands of Christmas mail sacks left the postoffice and were rushed to the pier.

The 450 cabin passengers climbed aboard, the Mauretania backed into the river. Captain Turner hoped to touch at Queenstown Thursday midnight. If he does, a world's record for the round trip will be established.

Mr. Holt completed his continental assignment today with a round of sightseeing in New York. He took in Grant's tomb, Fifth avenue, the department stores and most of the other tourists' delights, with a brief interview with Governor-elect Dix for extra measure, "nice chap," he said. "Fine chap. You fellows over here have your political people better trained than we do. They are really quite docile."

This fresh faced, blue eyed man, with a crisp grey hair, met with one disappointment. He couldn't find a department store that checked babies for its customers while they shapped.

"I want to see them check the kiddies," he insisted until it was explained to him that the practice had been discontinued because of complications which once followed an exchange of checks.

Just before he left, Mr. Holt revealed the meaning of his mission or at least one of the meanings. "You Americans set up championships with conditions which you frame," he said. "You admire your aptness for doing things in a great flurry, even when there is no reason for it. Perhaps the proprietor of my paper saw in this trip a chance to set it down on the record that, hustlers, as the Americans are, they have no monopoly of the quality. It is a mission of education, this of mine, perhaps."

TEDDY TEST PLAYS OUT.

Strenuous Exercise no Longer for Army Officers.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The strenuous exercise for naval officers prescribed under the Roosevelt administration, has failed in its purpose in the opinion of the Secretary of the Navy Meyer and a general order was issued today greatly modifying the severity of the physical tests.

Under the old order every officer of the navy and marine corps was required to walk 50 miles within three days every three months, the actual walking time to be within 20 hours total. Or he might ride one hundred miles on a bicycle within three consecutive days, the actual riding time to be within 15 hours, or he might ride a horse 90 miles within three days, actual riding 7 1-2 hours on each of two days and six hours on one day.

The bicycle and horseback rides have been abondoned, and a simple walking test established. This walk is to be of 25 miles in two consecutive days, five consecutive hours being allowed for each day and the walk for each day (12 1-2 miles) not to be completed in less than four hours. In the tropics the distance walked and time required will be two-thirds of those above named.

POTASH CONTROVERSY.

Taft Doing Everything Possible to Effect Settlement.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Taft today told Representatives Lee, Adamson and Rodenbery, of Georgia, who called at the White House in regard to the matter, that he was doing everything possible through the State Department to effect a settlement of the potash controversy with Germany. The Congressmen said the cotton farmers of the South would be seriously affected by Germany's action in increasing the export tax on potash.

Seude and velvet shoes for Christmas at Peterson & Rulfs. **

MORRIS E. MILLER IN TOILS

Big Grain Dealer Charged With Violating Sherman Anti-Trust Law. Alleged to Have Given Rebates on Shipments.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—Morris F. Miller, a member of the grain firm of L. F. Miller & Sons, of this city, was arrested today on a warrant from Savannah, Ga., charging him with a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law and after waiving a hearing before the United States commissioner, was released in $25,000 bail.

It is charged that he was given rebates on grain shipments from the Merchants & Miners' Transportation Company and the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad.

Morris F. Miller and brother, Harvey C. Miller, were indicted in Savannah several weeks ago on the charge of receiving rebates, but as the former was out of the jurisdiction of the Southern court, the warrant was sent here to be served. Harvey C. Miller entered bail in Savannah.

The charges against the Millers grew out of an investigation in July when the Interstate Commerce Commission proved discrimination on the part of the Pennsylvania and the Keystone Elevator Company, which the Millers leased from the railroad, against other grain shippers here. Evidence was produced at that time tending to show that grain shipped to this city at export rates was never exported ,the export rate from the West to the seaboard being cheaper than the domestic rate.

WAR SECRETARY WRITES.

Reply to McLachlan Resolution In the House.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary of War Dickinson today sent to the House a letter in reply to the McLachlan resolution concerning the adequacy of National defense.

The letter discusses the situation briefly, but the secret report recently submitted to the House and withdrawn will not be re-submitted.

As read in the House Secretary Dickinson's letter says it was not compatible with public interest at this time to report to the House the information called for by the McLachlin resolution.

This letter was in reply to Speaker Cannon's letter of December 14. The Speaker after quoting the House rules relating to secret sessions executive communications and printing, said:

"In view of the above rules, it is practically impossible for the Speaker to treat this matter as confidential if it is to be brought to the attention of the public."

The two communications without objection of the House were ordered printed.

AFFECTS TRUST COMPANIES.

Decision in Ohio Court Establishes a Precedent.

Cincinnati, Dec. 17.—The Circuit Court of the Ohio first district by reversing the case of Charles I. Dreyfus against the Union Savings Bank & Trust Company, today established a precedent which may cause every trust company in the United States to change the indorsement which it is customary to place on bonds. Dreifus received from Holzman & Company, who afterwards failed, six bonds indorsed by the Union Savings Bank & Trust Company, as follows:

"It is hereby certified that this bond is one of the series of bonds described in the mortgage or deed of trust within mentioned."

If the decision stands, the trust company becomes liable for merely identifying by endorsement the security mentioned in the deed of trust.

The Union Savings Bank & Trust Company, realizing that this is a test case in which the trust companies throughout the country are interested, will carry the matter to the higher courts.

A BOOM FOR TAWNEY.

For Governorship of Isthmus Canal Zone Started in House.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A boom for Representative James A. Tawney, of Minnesota, chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, for the Isthmian Canal Zone, was started in the House today. Mr. Tawney was defeated for re-election. Both Republican and Democratic members have expressed themselves in favor of the Presidents' recognition of Mr. Tawneys' services in some appropriate office.

Representative Burleson, of Texas, a Democrat, who is a candidate for the chairmanship of the committee in the next House, said today that Mr. Tawney would have his endorsement for any office, and that the Minnesota member, after 18 years in the House at the head of a committee passing on expenditures of $00,000,000 annually was leaving Congress a poor man.

NEGROES RAID SETTLEMENT.

Entered Thirty Houses and Shot Three Men at Canton.

Canton, Ohio, Dec., 17.——Two armed n groes raided the Roumanian settlement here today, entered 30 houses, shot three men who resisted them and obtaining $100 fled. John G. Rido, one of the wounded men may die.

The raid took place before daybreak but the frightened foreigners did not tell the police until noon. There are no clues.

Get a pair of felt slippers for your Christmas present. Peterson & Rulfs. **

For practical Christmas gifts go to C. H. Fore & Co.

ENGLISH ELECTION MAKES NO CHANGE

Strength of Liberals and Unionists the Same in Next Parliament.

SANER COUNSELS PREVAIL

No Longer Talk of Parnelite Home Rule—Believed That Unionists Leaders Would Accept Bill End of Elections.

London, Dec. 17.—With the exception of a few personal changes, the House of Commons will be the same as the old.

If the results in six districts yet to be declared repeat the election of January, the old predominant parties, the Liberals and the Unionists, will have four members and one member less, respectively, than they did in the late Parliament making them exactly equal if the speaker who is elected as a Unionist, is excluded.

These seats have gone to the government allies, labor having added thereto their numerical strength, while Redmond comes back with two followers more than he did earlier in the year. With the elections over, saner counsels are prevailing and there is no longer talk of Parnelite home rule. The liberal policy is now confiend to self-government for Ireland, subject to the control of the Imperial Parliament.

On the other side, the responsible unionist organs admit that the government has received a mandate for a Parliament bill which would abolish the vote power of the House of Lords.

The general opinion is that the Unionists leaders will in the end accept the bill sooner than drag the King into party arena.

HOGAN WINS THE BOUT.

Gained a Twenty-Round Decision Over Johnny Frayne.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 17.—"One Round" Jack Hogan, the unbeaten terror of local short distance fighters, graduated from that class today when he gained a 20-round decision over Johnny Frayne, a light weight of prestige ,at Blots Open Air Arena. The gong alone saved Frayne on at least half a dozen occasions. On his showing today many fight followers maintain that Hogan, who is barely 21 years old, with little additional experience, will prove a serious contender for the light weight belt.

Today's battle was a case of a hard hitting young fighter against an experienced ,clever and game one. Before the battle was three rounds old it looked as if Hogan would add another scalp to his belt.

In the fourth round Hogan beat his opponent into almost complete helplessness and Frayne went to his corner apparently defeated. Again in the fifth round Hogan administered fearful punishment, but Frayne weathered the gale. Hogan struggled desperately to land a knockout punch, but he would come and electrify the spectators with an exhibition of gameness and clever defense work seldom seen in a prize ring.

In the 18th and 19th rounds the gong saved Frayne. The last round found Hogan trying to make his victory complete by scoring with a finishing blow, but Frayne with his senses dulled, and his eyes closed, made a last stand and succeeded in lasting the limit. The referee promptly declared Hogan the winner.

FOUR VICTIMS IN FIGHT.

Burglars Had About Reached Valuables When Dircovered.

London, Dec., 17.—The death roll resulting from a fight between the police and burglars in a Cutler street house last night now totals four. This house was occupied by the burglars, who were attempting to make their way into a jewelry store at 119 Houndsditch, when they were surprised by the police. A fierce exchange of shots followed and Sergeant Tucker was killed on the stairway. Sergeant Bentley and Constable Choate were fatally wounded and died in a hospital today while one of the assailants of the police died in a White Chapel bake shop late this evening. The latter was taken to the bake shop this morning in a taxicab with head heavily bandaged. He died without regaining consciousness and was identified as the man who shot Tucker. The occupants of the bake shop including several men and one woman, were arrested. They are believed to be the persons who rented the house on Cutler street, which backed on the jewelry store. The proprietor of this store is Henry Harris and he said that precious stones to the value of $100,000 were in the vaults.

An examination of the premises showed that the burglars tunneled beneath the Harris store and within a few hours would probably have been in possession of the booty.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 17.—Three arguments occupied today's session of the court in the Southern merger suit, in which the State is seeking to dissolve the merger of the Southern Railway with three smaller lines. R. H. Welch, of the State, and F. H. Weston and George Johnson, for the railroad, spoke.

MOISANT'S FEATURE FLIGHT

Aviator Soars to 9,364 Feet at Memphis—Almost Equaled Johnstone and Drexel Flights—Closing Day at Atlanta.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 17.—John B. Moisant reached his highest altitude today, 9,364 feet in baragraph read true. In the United States Armstrong Drexel and Ralph Johnstone alone eclipsed this distance and it is within 1,135 of the world's record established by M. LeGageneaux at Pau several weeks ago.

"It was an impulse that occurred in midair" Moisant explained. "Air conditions looked favorable and I tried."

Ascending at what appeared to be almost a direct angle the Chicagoan drove his monoplane skyward until it was only a faint blur. Then he was lost to view. Simon was sent aloft but returned without tidings. after a 7 minute wait a tiny speck appeared in the clouds, gradually taking form as the manbird came near. er He sailed to a perfect landing with motor humming. Moisant was stiff and numbed from the cold but enthusiastic. He brought back with him a coating of ice, the metal parts of his car being covered with frost and particles of ice had formed about the motor.

"Had it not been for the darkness I could have gone higher," he said.

In all he was in the air forty-two minutes and fifty-seven seconds.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 17.—A race between J. A. McCurdy in his 60 horse power biplane and Jimmy Ward in a 24 horse power "baby" Curtiss marked the close of the aviation meet here today. Ward won on every point remaining in the air 36 minutes and 11 seconds and attaining a height of 1,000 feet. McCurdy was aloft twenty minutes. Eugene Ely came to grief when, after a flight of nearly a mile, a piece of tubing from the plane fell splintering the propeller while he was about 100 feet from the ground. The aviator landed without injury.

YARD MASTER ASSAULTED.

Negroes Became Angry When Ordered From Shanty Car Before Day.

(Special Star Correspondence)

Raleight, N. C., Dec. 17.—John Dean, oyster and fish dealer who came here recently from Petersburg, was held for the Superior Court today on the charge of secret assault on Frank Wilson, proprietor of Wilson Cafe and Chop House early this morning as Wilson closed his place for the night. A black jack was used with severe effect on Wilson's face and head. The two had quarrelled over a woman.

Yard Master Frank Smith, of the Seaboard Air Line, was set upon before day this morning by three negro railroad employes, fireman and brakemen and badly cut and bruised about the head with lanterns that his assailants used. He had gone to their shanty car to call two firemen to go on runs when grumbling and impudence brought a sharp rebuke from Captain Smith, the assault resulting. John Studevant has been arrested but Geo. and Clarence Larimore escaped.

The Bank of Maxton, Robeson county, today filed an amendment to its charter increasing the capital from $40,000 to $75,000 and changing the authorized capital from $50,000 to $100,000. I. O. Evans is president.

Charters are issued for the Coggin Mining Company, Salisbury, capital $100,000, by N. B. McCanless and others for general mining purposes. The Beaufort ice Co., Beaufort, capital $21,000, by M. C. Holland and others; The Samuel E. Coffin Co., High Point, capital, $50,000 for manufacture and sale of furniture, S. B. Coffin principal incorporator.

In view of recent references to this matter by other aspirants to the speakership of the House of Representatives for the approaching session of the General Assembly, a friend and supporter of W. C. Dowd, of Charlotte, for the speakership, calls attention to the fact that Mr. Dowd has always heartily supported measures for the most liberal maintenance of the State educational institutions. In fact that Mr. Dowd's record in the legislature as to these institutions show that he believes in them and thinks they ought to be supported in the most commensurate and adequate manner.

FIGHT FOR PANAMA SHOW.

Matter Will be Voted on in House by January 9th.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A vote in the House by January 17, on the fight between New Orleans and San Francisco for exposition to celebrate the Panama canal opening in 1915, was made possible by an understanding reached by the House Committee on Rules today.

The rules committee took no formal action, but entered into a gentleman's agreement that unless matters had meantime been adjusted the two cities would be given an opportunity to have a vote in the House by January 17th. Before the executive session Representative Broussard, of Louisiana, and former Representative Bell, of California, for their respective States, argued on the contending claims.

New Orleans, Dec., 17.—For refusing to answer questions put to him by the Federal grand jury, which is investigating alleged irregularities in sugar importations at this port, Sidney Salvant, a sugar broker, was before Judge Foster today on a charge of contempt. The court gave Salvant until Monday to comply with the demands of the grand jury.

ABOLITION OF WAR PLEA OF SPEAKERS

Movement For Permanent Court of Arbitration Is Gaining Strength

SOCIETY ENDS CONFERENCE

President Taft Among the Notables Present at Banquet—Officers Elected—Eliot Says Arbitration Has Failed.

Washington, Dec. 17.—With the word "peace" conspicuous not only in the decorations of the room in which a distinguished array of diplomats, international jurists and lawyers gathered, but all the speeches, the American Society for Settlement of International Disputes closed tonight with a banquet, addressed by President Taft and a number of other distinguished speakers.

General Stewart L. Woodruff, United States ambassador to Spain when the Spanish-American war broke out, was the toastmaster. Besides a speech by President Taft, others were made by the French ambassador, Jos. H. Choate, Major General Frederick D. Grant, Richard Barthodlt, Martin W. Littleton, Thomas Nelson Page and W. Burke Cochran. The banquet concluded a three days' programme of speeches, principally on the question of the establishment of a permanent court of arbitral justice.

The general trend of the discussion was toward the abolition of war, an ideal for which Andrew Carnegie has just donated $11,500,000 to help realize.

Just before the closing session adjourned at noon today, President Taft was re-elected honorary president and John Hayes Hammond was elected President; Governor-elect Simeon E. Baldwin, of Connecticut, vice president; Theodore Marburg, of Baltimore, secretary; J. G. Schidlapp, Cincinnati, treasurer.

The executive committee will be H. B. MacFarland, of Washington; W. W. Willoughby, of Baltimore, and James Brown Scott, of Washington, the retiring president of the society.

Arbitration has failed not only as a means of settling international disputes, but in adjusting the differences of capital and labor, declared Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard University, who addressed the conference today.

"If the contending parties know beforehand that a court of justice would examine their claims and render a judicial decision, not a compromise," asserted Dr. Eliot, "we would have fewer industrial wars."

Oscar T. Crosby, of Warrenton, Va., president of the World's Peace Federation, took issue with Dr. Eliot as to the need of a strictly judicial court for international disputants. He declared that he did not believe arbitration defective, but that at the present time it was the means to be used in averting war by limiting armament of nations.

William Dudley Folk, of the National Municipal League, defended Dr. Eliot's remarks.

"Mankind longs for less troubled days and moves towards this not inaccessible goal," predicted M. Jusserand, the French ambassador, at the banquet tonight in his theme of "Is Peace a Progress? Is the Disappearance of War a Sign of Improvement or Decay?"

International lunacy was the way in which Burke Cochran, former representative from New York, referred to the competition between the nations of the world to outdo each other in the strength of their naval armaments. He declared that it was mad waste of money which was keeping the nations poor and was the principal cause of the high cost of living.

Major General Frederick D. Grant, son of General Ulysses S. Grant, whose words, "Let us have peace," have been closely associated with his military achievements, read a letter written by President Grant in 1879 to the Universal Peace Union, in which he suggested a permanent court of arbitration, the development of which is one of the chief objects of the conference.

ACTION AGAINST COAST LINE.

Brought in Federal Court at Norfolk. Other Railroads.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 17.—The government today instituted proceedings in the United States court here against the Southern, Atlantic Coast Line and New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk railways for alleged violation of the Federal safety appliance statute. Forfeiture of $200 is claimed against the Southern for operating a car with defective couplings, and forfeiture of $100 is claimed against the New York Philadelphia & Norfolk for like violation. Forfeiture of $100 is claimed against the Atlantic Coast Line for the alleged use of a car without a "grab iron or hand hold."

The actions were brought by United States District Attorneys L. L. Lewis and R. H. Talley.

Holly Ice Cream.

For Christmas dinner, holiday parties, banquets, etc. Our holly brick is sure slick. A hand-made winner for Christmas dinner. Ask us about it. E. Warren & Son, 'phone 376. **

MAY REDUCE APPROPRIATIONS

Resolution in House to Appoint Committee of Estimate and Expenditures—Move of Kentucky Congressman.

Washington, Dec. 17.—For the purpose of limiting appropriations by Congress to the amount actually in sight in the way of government revenues, Representative Sherley, of Kentucky, introduced a resolution in the House today providing for a Committee on Estimate and Expenditures.

The committee as proposed by Mr. Sherley is to be in substitute a budget committee, which will consider the amount of avilable revenue, apportion it amongst the various branches and departments of the government, and systematically prune down estimates until they come within the available funds.

The Sherley resolution provides for a committee to include the chairman, four ranking majority members and three ranking minority members, respectively of the Ways and Means Committee and the Appropriations Committee; and the Chairman and one ranking minority member each, from the other committees which pass upon appropriation bills. In this way all committees having to do with raising or appropriating revenues would have representation on the budget committee. "By this rule", said Mr. Sherley, I hope to provide a method whereby the House may be able to effect a reduction in the total annual appropriations. To my mind, it is humiliating to representatives that the country should be dependent upon and look to the president for a curtailment of governmental expenditures."

The resolution was sent to the House committee on rules for consideration. A budget committee along somewhat similar lines, known as the committee on public expenditures was created by the senate two years ago, but it has not actually taken up the work of passing upon all congressional appropriations.

FATAL WRECK ON VIRGINIAN.

Fireman Killed and Engineer Seriously Injured.

Norfolk, Va., Dec., 17.—In a wreck on the Virginian Railway at Algren early today Fireman Midgett, of train No. 14 en route for this city from Roanoke, was so badly injured that he died later in the day and Engineer C. G. Bickford, was seriously hurt.

The locomotive of the train which was running at 30 miles an hour jumped the track completely overturned. The baggage car and one coach left the rails but the Pullman coach remained on the track. The passengers were badly shaken up but none was injured.

The cause of the accident has not been ascertained.

COLUMBUS JAILOR KILLED.

Died of Wounds Received While Defending the Jail.

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 17.—Jailor J. A. Pheltts died here today as a result of wounds received while defending the jail Saturday night, December 10th, against the attack of a mob seeking to lynch Henry Taylor, a negro, charged with assaulting a 16-year-old girl. Rumors of race trouble as an outcome of the attack on the jail were current last night and the sheriff wired a request to Governor Brown that troops be held in readiness, but there are no signs of trouble here today.

PHONOGRAPH AT FUNERAL.

Request of Wealthy Turfman's Wife Carried Out.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 17.—Phonographic music today took place of singers at the funeral hour today of Mrs. Byron McClellans, widow of a widely known turfman and one of the wealthiest women in the South. While dying, Mrs. McClelland heard a phonographic record of sacred music by a quartette of noted singers and she requested that the machine be used at her funeral. The phonograph furnished the only music at the services.

KILLED HIS BROTHER.

Quarreled at Dance and Then Fought Duel.

Gainesville, Ga., Dec.,17.—In a shot gun duel near here last night S. Worley, aged 2o, was shot and killed by his brotner, Leonard Worley, aged 30. It is said that they had quarreled earlier in the evening at a dance. Returning home each secured a gun and met in front of the home of the younger. After exchanging shots the brothers calmy re-loaded. At the second exchange of shots the young brother fell dead. The elder Worley was captured after an all night chase.

DUPONT MAKES PROTEST.

Against House of Correction Near Estate of Geo. Washington.

Washington, Dec. 17.—At the instance of Senator Dupont, the Senate today adopted a resolution calling upon the commissioners of the District of Columbia as to whether a house of correction is to be located near Mount Vernon. Mr. Dupont expressed the opinion that public opinion throughout the country would be shocked by the establishment of criminal institution in proximity to the home estate of George Washington.

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Seude and velvet shoes for Christmas at Peterson & Rulfs. **

DANE SENTENCED FOR BIG FRAUDS

Former Minister of Justice Took Funds and Confessed His Thefts

GETS TERM OF EIGHT YEARS

Close To the King and Idol of the Masses—Popular Indignation Intense—Alberti Suffered Collapse.

Copenhagen, Dec. 17.—Former Minister of Justice P. A. Alberti, the revelation of whose banking frauds in the Fall of 1908 scandalized the country, was sentenced today to eight years penal servitude. Alberti suffered a physical collapse in March, 1909, while awaiting trial and was removed to a hospital where he remained until sufficiently restored to face the accusers.

For fourteen years Alberti had held a commanding place in both politics and finance. He was a member of the Deunther ministry and later dominated the Christensen cabinet, which he entered as minister of justice in 1905. As president of the Bondesslandens Sparkasse, a savings bank, and of the Danisn Farmers Eport Association, he was the custodian of enormous funds, to which he began to help himself, according to his own confession, seven years before he accepted the portfolio of justice.

Unpleasant rumors had been in circulation for some time before the exposure came, but the minister was the inmate of King Frederick and the idol of the poorer classes and his financial genius, indomnitable will and brilliant oratory repeatedly saved him.

But the time came when he could no longer cover his tracks and, hard pressed, Alberti confessed that he had misused the funds of the bank and that he had systematically robbed the export association and its customers from the day that it began business in 1888. His peculations amounted, he said, to about $2,300,000 and the money had been lost in South African and American mining ventures.

Popular indignation was so intense that Premier Christensen, who but recently had publicly affirmed Alberti's honesty, was forced to submit the resignation of the entire cabinet.

MACON FOR ECONOMY.

Against Any Increase in Salaries—Colleague Spoke.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Owing to the fact that Representative Macon, of Arkansas, made a point of order today against practically every increase of salary, no matter how small, provided for in the legislative, executive and judicial bill slow progress was made in the House, where the bill was under discussion during almost the entire day.

Efforts were made to dislodge Mr. Macon from his attitude of insisting on economy at every turn of the bill, but without result. Representative Livingston, of Georgia, spoke in a humorous vein against Mr. Macon's attitude declaring that some members if they could live long enough would be legislating in the same old rut a thousand years from now as was followed a hundred years ago. He pleaded for the House to have some confidence in the work of its Appropriations Committee. The various savings brought about by Mr. Macon's objections amounted to a few thousand dollars as compared with more than $35,000,000 carried in the bill.

Several more legislative days probably will be required to finish the bill, which already has occupied two days.

FATAL FOR PUGILIST.

Lightweight Died in Philadelphia After the Bout.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—Edward (Kid) Gardner, a local lightweight pugilist, died in a hospital here this evening from injuries received last night in a bout with John Kain at the Nonparel Athletic Club. Gardner, who was 21 years old, never regained consciousness after being sent to the floor for the final time. He died from a fracture of the skull.

Kain, who is 22 years old, is in the county prison, the committing magistrate having refused to accept bail, and others connected with the fatal bout were held in bonds as witnesses.

APPOINTS ANOTHER NEGRO.

Chas. A. Cottrell, of Toledo, Collector at Honolulu.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Taft today sent to the Senate the nomination of Charles A. Cottrill, of Toledo, to be collector of internal revenue at Honolulu, Hawaii. Cottrill is a negro and his appointment was forecasted from the White House just prior to the last election. A protest from Honolulu that a resident of that city should be appointed, was unheeded.

Wilmington's New Cash Shoe Store

We are not new in the shoe business. but our location is new, our stock is new and the business is under a new management. We invite the patronage of our friends who bought shoes from us on Fourth Street, and we now invite the people of all of Wilmington and the surrounding country to give us their shoe business because we are centrally located and because we carry the best stock and give the best values of any shoe store in the city.

Manufacturer's Agents Selling Direct to the Consumer for Cash

Buying as we do, direct from the largest Southern manufacturers of shoes, we own our shoes at the lowest possible cost, and selling as we do for cash, we are able to give you shoe values which have never before been offered in Wilmington.

We don't ask you to take our word for it, but we do ask you to come and give us a chance to prove the truth of our statement. We want you to let us show you our TERRY SPECIAL shoe at $4.00 which we guarantee is the equal of any man's $5.00 shoe, and we ask you to look at our CRADDOCK shoe, and see if you don't think it is the equal in appearance and is leather value of any man's shoe sold for fifty cents to a dollar a pair more money. You are entitled to full value for the money you spend, and we do not think you are getting your money's worth when you pay the long prices asked by our competitors who sell on long time.

Will the Cash Buy More Than Credit?

To the man or woman who has no cash, this question does not mean much, but if you buy for cash or if you are in a position to buy for cash, this is a question which should interest you. Ask some friend of your's who is a merchant, if it pays him to buy for cash, and he will tell you that he would fail in business if he didn't buy for cash—he would tell you that no merchant or consumer can afford to buy on credit. If you pay cash for your shoes, or if you buy on credit and pay your bills when they are due, you not only pay for the shoes you buy, but you pay for the shoes bought from this credit house by someone who does not pay his bills. Unless you want to pay your neighbors' bills, buy for cash.

Our Shoes Represent the Latest Word in Style

Our shoes are shipped us every week from the largest manufacturers in the south, therefore, our styles are up to the minute. Ladies who have been paying $5.00 for their shoes will be agreeably surprised to find that we can show them a more stylish shoe, a more comfortable shoe and a more sightly shoe at a greatly reduced price. Ladies who are unwilling to pay more than $2.50 for their shoes, will be agreeably surprised to find that we can give them a stylish, up-to-date, serviceable shoe at this price, and those who wish a cheaper shoe will find that we have it—with style and snap never before dreamed of in a shoe at the price.

Free! A Beautiful Souvenir on Opening Day

Our new store, at 217 North Front Street will be opened for business Wednesday, December the 21st, and with every purchase on opening day, we will give absolutely free a pair of miniature rubber shoes or a pair of fairy rubber boots.

These little boots and shoes are made of the best quality of rubber and are very unique. You couldn't buy anything for a dollar which would please the children as much as a pair of these little rubber shoes or rubber boots.

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THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Negro Given Ten Days for Violating Quarantine Regulations.

Convicted of the charge of violating the quarantine regulations, Maggie Small, colored, was sentenced by the Recorder yesterday morning to ten days on the county farm. The evidence was to the effect that the negress, after having been quarantined on account of smallpox, left her home and mingled with other people. This is the first person to be charged with violation of the quarantine regulations since smallpox made its appearance here some months ago.

Gary Smith, colored, was arraigned on the charge of assault with deadly weapon on Monday Scott, colored. It was alleged that he cut her with a knife, but did not inflict wounds of a serious nature. He was found guilty and sentenced to six months on the county roads, the County Commissioners being given the privilege to hire him out.

Eugene Harriss, "Son" Williams and C. Harrelson, young white men, were arraigned on the charge of shooting fire crackers in the city limits. The officer who made the arrest testified that he heard the explosion of the fire crackers, but could not say who fired them. The case was dismissed and the defendants released.

MARRIED SECOND TIME.

Mrs. Maria W. Whitehead and Mr. John L. Wellet Wed.

Mr. John L. Wellet and Mrs. Maria W. Whitehead, both of Pender county, were united in marriage at the office of officiating magistrate, Justice G. W. Borneman, at 12 o'clock yesterday in the presence of a number of persons. Mr. Wellet is 63 years old and his bride is 48. Mr. Wellet told Justice Borneman that he married the same lady in Richmond, Va., 16 years ago, but did not state the reason for the second marriage. Justice Borneman said that he did not know whether the couple were divorced or whether some question had arisen regarding the legality of their first marriage. The bride before her first marriage was Miss Maria Gerganus. Mr. and Mrs. Wellet will reside in Pender county, and left yesterday afternoon.

Will Accept the Office.

Mr. Chas. E. Taylor, Jr., president of the Wilmington Savings & Trust Company, who was elected Friday afternoon a member of the County Board of Education, stated yesterday that he would very likely accept the position. This will be welcome news to the people generally of the county. Mr. Taylor is an honor graduate of Wake Forest College and has been identified with the business and civic life of Wilmington for some years. He is deeply interested in the cause of education and no beter selection could have been made for the vacancy on the board.

C. H. Fore & Co., are displaying a beautiful selection of fancy China.

LOCAL DOTS.

—There will be services at the Seamen's Bethel this afternoon at 3 o'clock. All seamen and rivermen are cordially invited to attend.

The many friends in this city of Mr. Norman W. Lynch will regret to learn that he is ill with typhoid fever at the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte.

—The British steamer Poiamhall, Capt. Vass, cleared yesterday for Liverpool with cargo of 14,300 bales of cotton, valued at $1,070,000. The vessel and cargo are by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

—Alfred Hill, colored, who was adjudged insane by the Clerk of Superior Court some days ago, will be taken to the State Hospital at Goldsboro Monday morning by Mr. Melvin Horne, who is deputy sheriff in Federal Point township.

Frederick the Great, performer of many varied stunts of illusion, and his able company of assistants, entertained a small house at the Academy of Music last night. The performance was greatly enjoyed by the audience, as was evidenced by frequent applause. The matinee announced for the afternoon was not given owing to the fact that the company arrived too late to get the scenery in place in time.

MARINE ENGINEERS ELECT.

Annual Meeting of Local Organization Held Last Night.

With a large and enthusiastic attendance the annual meeting of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, No. 71, composed of nearly all the marine engineers of the Cape Fear river at this point, was held in the hall of the organization last night. The principal matter before the meeting was the annual election of officers, resulting as follows:

President—J. W. Frederick.
Vice President—S. E. Dunn.
Recording Secretary—T. H. Hawkins.
Financial Secretary—J. J. Bell.
Corresponding Secretary—W. A. Furlong.

The newly elected officers will be installed the first meeting night in January at which time a smoker will be given. The affairs of the association are in fine shape and the membership is increasing.

Services at St. James'.

Dr. Milton has returned to the city and will preach at both morning and evening services at St. James' Episcopal church today. The evening service as usual will be preceded by an organ recital at 7:45 and the subject of the sermon will be, "The Problem of the Mixture of Good and Evil in the Church and Society." The Brotherhood will be in waiting to extend a hearty welcome and to seat visitors where they desire.

CIVIL ACTIONS STARTED.

Suit Against Atlantic Coast Line Instituted Yesterday.

In the Superior Court yesterday a civil action was instituted entitled R. H. Everett, by his next friend, W. B. Everett, who is his father, against the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, for alleged damages for personal injuries received, negligence of the defendant being alleged. The plaintiff will allege that he suffered the loss of an arm and other permanent injuries as the result of the negligence of the defendant and heavy damages will be asked. Ex-Judge E. K. Bryan appears for the plaintiff.

Mildred Evans, widow of John J. Evans, Charles Holmes Evans, Louise Evans, Rose and husband, H. McA. Rose, Mary James and husband, Joe James has instituted action against the Acme Tea Chest Company. The plaintiffs allege that they were owners in fee a tract of land in Pender county on the banks of Black river; that during the years 1904 and 1906, inclusive, the defendant company unlawfully and wrongfully entered upon said lands, through its agents, and cut and removed therefrom large quantities of cypress timber and in addition to cutting and removing said timber broke down and destroyed other timber to the great damage of the plaintiffs. Damages in the sum of $2,000 is asked. Rountree & Carr appear for the plaintiffs.

RURAL TEACHERS MEET

Final Session Before the Holidays Held Yesterday Morning.

With practically all the rural public school teachers in attendance, the New Hanover White School Teachers' Association held its final session before the boudays at the Court House yesterday morning. The feature of the meeting was an address by Miss Sallie O. Edwards, of Masonboro School, who discussed the science of teaching and reading and also gave a practical demonstration. It is the purpose of Prof. Washington Catlett, the county superintendent, to have some member of the association give a practical lesson at each meeting. The next meeting of the organization will be held the last Saturday in January.

Will Present Bible and Flag.

With appropriate and pleasing exercises George Washington and Jeff Davis Councils, Jr., U. A. M., of this city, will present a Bible and flag to a public school in Brunswick county, situated about 14 miles from this city, January 12th. The exercises will take place at the school house and will doubtless be attended by a number of members of the two councils as well as hundreds of people residing in the school district.

Silk hosiery in all shades for Christmas presents at C. H. Fore & Co.

IN SOCIETY

The regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear chapter, U. D. C., will be held Monday afternoon, the 19th, at the W. L. I. armory at 3:30 o'clock. As it is the last meeting for the year it is hoped as many of the members who can do so will be in attendance.

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Among the holiday visitors in Wilmington are Mr. and Mrs. George H. Zimmerman and Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Bledsoe and family, all of Baltimore. They are guests of Mrs. Chas. T. Harper, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman and sister of Mrs. Bledsoe.

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Yesterday's Charlotte Evening Chronicle: Mrs. J. P. Lucas and little son, Master J. P. Lucas, Jr., and Miss Nellie Buford of Winston-Salem, will leave this afternoon for Wilmington to spend the holidays as the guests of Mrs. Lucas' mother, Mrs. Archibald Charles Craft.

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Mrs. F. R. Wells and children and Mrs. Benjamin E. Adams are in the city, having been called from Savannah on account of the illness of their mother, Mrs. A. M. Sholar. Friends of Mrs. Sholar will be glad to learn that she is recovering from her recent illness.

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The following article, which is signed by Rev. Dr. John M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church; Col. A. M. Waddell, and Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the city schools, speaks for itself: "Mrs. W. P. Toon, of this city, on the occasion of the visit of President Taft to Wilmington, composed a song entitled, 'President's Greeting.' This song has the unique merit of being the first song dedicated to our President, and is intended for all Presidents. It is set to the great old tune 'America,' and those who have had the privilege of hearing it sung by large bodies of school children say the effect is very striking. The words are impressive and need but to be read to speak for themselves. The song has been introduced into a number of our schools and will, we hope, be used in many more. It is printed in neat and attractive form as a post card. We wish the author the largest success in her undertaking."

The Glory of Womanhood.

The second in the series of special sermons being preached by Pastor Morton at the Dock Street Christian Church, will be preached this evening. Subject: "The Glory of Womanhood." The subject last Sunday evening was "The Glory of Manhood," and the service was one of the best ever held in the church. The subject for this evening is certainly as worthy and as fruitful. You are invited to be present and study with Mr. Morton this great subject. The ordinance of baptism will be administered. Special music and a cordial invitation to all.

FOR CHRISTMAS WORKERS.

Suggestion for Church Societies and Charitable Organizations.

(Contributed.)

If all the church societies and charitable organizations desiring to distribute baskets to the poor of the city will send a list of the persons to whom they expect to provide, to the Salvation Army, it will simplify the work and make the distribution greater among the poor.

The writer in distributing baskets last year went to several places where they found others had preceded her and left supplies. This seemed unfortunate ,because she knew others very worthy who could not be remembered for lack of supplies. She had consulted with the Salvation Army, but other organizations dispensing Christmas cheer did not know of her intentions. This is merely a suggestion given by one much interested in this work and who would like to see no one forgotten. In comparing lists with Adjutant Williams all persons in the writer's list were taken off of his list by request, thereby giving him opportunity to provide for others.

FIVE BARRELS "PURE RYE".

Restaurant Keeper Getting Ready for Christmas Trade.

His attention attracted by the condition of the horse, which was so worn and exhausted that it fell in the street, a prominent city official yesterday noticed on a dray five barrels consigned to a local restaurant keeper and labelled "Pure Rye Whiskey." The official stated that the restaurant keeper has not got near-beer license. After a brief rest, the horse was able to continue its journey and, according to the official ,the barrels delivered to consignee. He said that no doubt the "blind tigers" were laying in a full supply of the stuff for the Christmas trade, which is expected to be brisk.

Holly Ice Cream.

For Christmas dinner, holiday parties, banquets, etc. Our holly brick is sure slick. A hand-made winner for Christmas dinner. Ask us about it. E. Warren & Son, 'phone 376. **

Milwaukee, Wis, Dec. 14.—James Morgan, formerly a wealthy Milwaukee merchant and Democratic candidate for governor in 1888, died in apparent poverty in a rooming house today. He was born in 1841.

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To every One Dollar ($1) order will be added, to introduce them, without charge, one packet each of three especially desirable sorts Vegetables.

WHISKEY PACKAGES SHORT

Lumberton Lovers of the Ardent Want What They Pay For—Merchants Doing Splendid Holiday Business.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 17.—The oldest people here do not recall the time when the merchants have made such elaborate preparations for the holidays. The decorations surpass all past records, while there is no comparison between the stocks of holiday goods of the past and present. Every merchant seems to be striving to excel his neighbor. Messrs. White & Gough have the advantage of having the largest glass front in town and can make a finer display, and it is worth riding many miles to see their display of holiday and other goods. The Lumberton Drug Company claims to have diamonds in stock sufficient in value to purchase more than twice the combined stocks of holiday goods of any two houses in town. If hard work and effort to please count for anything, our merchants should do a record-breaking business between now and Christmas.

One of the most beautiful show windows in town is one in the big department store of Messrs. White & Gough, decorated by Miss Pearl Humphrey, one of their sales ladies. But the whole shopping district is one of beauty which is being daily admired by large crowds of prospective purchasers.

Owing to the heavy business, the express company has been forced to put on another wagon, while the people in the postoffice are putting in from sixteen to seventeen hours out of every twenty-four.

In the death of Mr. Needham Thompson, which occurred suddenly last Monday evening, Lumberton and Robeson county lost one of its best citizens. Mr. Thompson was universally loved. He was called upon to go without a moment's warning but he died as he had lived, strong in the faith. Every one who knew Mr. Thompson knew that he was ready to go.

During the coming week we are to have three good attractions at the opera house, the first of which will be the Orphean Musical Club third of the Lyceum attractions for which many of our people hold season tickets. There is little doubt but that this will be one of the best of the course. It will be presented here Tuesday night. The society event of the season will be Mr. Paul Gilmore and his excellent company which fill their engagement Wednesday night, presenting "The Bachelor." Mr. Gilmore is a great favorite with our people and will no doubt be greeted with a packed house. The majority of newspaper critics wherever Mr. Gilmore has appeared declare he excels all former efforts in presenting "The Bachelor." Seats for both of these attractions will go on sale at McMillan's drug store Monday morning. On Friday and Saturday nights the Four Pickerts Stock Company, carrying sixteen people, will be here. The Pickerts are so well and favorably known in Lumberton that comment is unnecessary. It is conceded to be the best company of its kind that has ever played here. Seats for this attraction will go on sale Thursday morning.

Much has been said and published during the past few days about the blowing of the fire whistle at the National Cotton Mill. Many people were kept awake and lost much needed sleep by the continued blowing of the whistle, while some people knew nothing of it until they read of it in The Star next morning. Some "Smart Alex," impersonating the mayor, gave orders over the telephone to keep the whistle blowing. The man at the power house thought he was obeying orders of the mayor. It is to be hoped that the man who did the telephoning enjoyed what he thought, no doubt, was a joke, but he probably sees now where he made a mistake.

There should be a fire limit and people should stop sending in alarms for fires two or three miles out when they know the fire-fighting facilities are not sufficient to cover so much territory.

The Lumberton graded school closed yesterday for the holidays and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3. The cotton mills will close down on the 23rd and resume operations on the 27th. Plant of the Kingsdale Lumber Company will close down on the 23rd and start up again on the 28th.

There is much complaint at present about whiskey packages coming in here by express being robbed. Everybody knows that it is done before they reach here, for if there was any one in the express office at Lumberton who thought of borrowing from the package he would not have an opportunity after it reaches this point. People who order it begin to gather around the express office long before the arrival of the train, every one wanting to get his first. There is plenty of it coming here to divide but the purchaser wants what he pays for.

The V. & C. S. railroad track has been completed to Elizabethtown but has not yet been turned over to the company by the contractor. This will probably be done in about ten days when it is presumed that trains will be operated between this point and Elizabethtown. When the trains get to running smoothly Lumberton expects to invite her Bladen friends over to spend the day and they will be given a splendid time.

A man struck town this week who appears to be a professional fakir. He is afflicted in some manner and is armed with credentials which purport to be from Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, certifying to his physical disabilities, but a little investigation proved that the physician who it was claimed signed the certificate has not been connected with the institution for the past ten years, this being the statement made by a Baltimore gentleman whom the supposed fakir appealed to for aid. This is not the first time the fellow has been here.

The old soldiers and widows of soldiers have been receiving their pension checks during the week and, although the amounts are small, they bring joy to many. There are 321 claims in the county, the total amount paid being $8,616. On the list two receives $72 per year; two $60 per year; five $48; 184 $26; 128 $26.

"Frederick the Great" pleased a fair-sized audience here last night. Weather was so cold that crowd was not what it otherwise would have been. "Frederick" was great and Mr. Chambers, the cornetist, and Miss Vernier, the vocalist captivated the audience.

Rev. L. W. Curtis, evangelist for the Fayetteville Presbytery, will preach in the Lumberton Presbyterian church tomorrow morning, and at Baker's Chapel in the afternoon.

Lumberton is to have a fertilizer factory in connection with the Cotton Oil Mill, and it is expected that it will be in operation by the first of February.

If cold weather has anything to do with improving health conditions there should be a big improvement in this part of the country. Wednesday was the coldest day of the season when the temperature dropped to 15.

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GETTING READY FOR BERRIES

Carolina Fruit Exchange Opens Office at Chadbourn—Co-Operation of the Growers Asked—Elizabethtown on a Boom.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Dec. 17.—Report comes to us at Whiteville that the Carolina Fruit Exchange is making splendid progress in the work of securing a co-operative organization of the strawberry growers to handle the crop for next season and that the report circulated some time ago that they would not pay the expenses of opening up was without foundation. An office has been opened up at Chadbourn in charge of Mr. Jno. H. Land. A letter is being sent out by the prominent and largest growers in this county asking the co-operation of all growers in the State. This letter points out the advantages to be derived from organization; that the yield per acre in berries has been so small in the last few years, due to the weevil and other causes, that the growers have got to get some protective organization to help them out to pay expenses. The same plan has worked wonders in Georgia and will work wonders for North Carolina, if the farmers will co-operate and help build up this organization, which has been done at no expense to them.

Hon. Homer Lyon was in Elizabethtown last week when the first construction train over the new railroad ran into that town. He says the historic old town is on the biggest kind of a boom, and the people there are preparing for a grand celebration. They have not decided whether to hold it during the Christmas holidays or early in January. Mr. Lyon says Elizabethtown will have the best paved streets in the whole country and they will cost but a minimum sum. Right in the town is an inexhaustible mine of a species of cement clay, and when placed on the streets it hardens as a stone and it takes a pick-axe to make any impression thereon. This clay is about the color of brown sugar, is like soft rock ,but when exposed to the air crumbles to pieces and becomes as hard as granite. This mine would be very valuable except for lack of transportation, but the opening of the railroad will help open a market. It could be carried to Wilmington on boats, and that city should investigate the same.

The Bazaar run by the ladies of the Civic League, was a grand success, and the receipts were large. Last evening it closed by an auction sale, and the household goods were disposed of to the highest bidders. The Civic League will hold a meeting with the citizens of Whiteville on the 6th of January ,for the purpose of considering the matter of improving and beautifying our town cemetery. To this purpose the receipts from the Bazaar will be devoted.

Seude and velvet shoes for Christmas at Peterson & Rulfs. **

The slogan of this year's campaign is. "A Million for Tuberculosis."

How to Get Rid of Your Constipation—Trial Free

It is too long a story to tell of all the different methods resorted to for the cure of constipation, ranging, as they do, from massage to stomach pads and from simple salts to powerful cathartics. It is only after a person has tried these makeshift methods that he begins to realize how futile they are.

Waste no further time on them but try a scientific preparation, one that has some basis in reason and fact, and then watch results. The remedy for the intelligent, who are striving for permanent not temporary results, and do not want their intestines nearly strangled by the average violent cathartic, is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which has been on the market for so many years that its stability is assured.

Any druggist will sell you a bottle—it is a liquid remedy and not a pill—at fifty cents and one dollar, but if you hesitate about buying, even in spite of numberless testimonials, then write Dr. Caldwell for a free sample bottle, which he will gladly send you on receipt of your name and address. Thousands of persons have recovered the perfect use of their stomach and bowel muscles by first being introduced to Syrup Pepsin in the form of a free sample bottle, sent direct to the home. Mr. J. A. Vernon of Oklahoma City and Mrs. S. E. Snyder of Canton, Ill., both used it for stubborn constipation of many years' standing and now publicly report cures. You will never find anything better for constipation, liver trouble, sick headache, biliousness, indigestion and similar complaints.

Dr. Caldwell does not feel that the purchase of his remedy ends his obligation. He has specialized in stomach, liver and bowel diseases for over forty years and will be pleased to give the reader any advice on the subject free of charge. All are welcome to write him. Whether for the medical advice or the free sample address him Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 541 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

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42	48	*Daily.	49	41
*7 00pm	*8 40am	Lv. ....WILMINGTON..... Ar.	6 15pm	9 45am
10 05pm	11 37am	Ar. .....Goldsboro..... Lv.	2 59pm	6 40am
11 00pm	12 36pm	Ar. .....Wilson..... Lv.	1 52pm	5 49am
11 45pm	1 18pm	Ar. .....Rocky Mount ..... Lv.	12 58pm	5 05am
2 15am	4 55pm	Ar. .....Weldon..... Lv.	11 30am	3 25am
4 00am	7 05pm	Ar. .....Petersburg..... Lv.	9 13am	1 40am
4 40am	8 00pm	Ar. .....Richmond..... Lv.	8 15am	1 00am
8 00am	11 50pm	Ar. .....Washington..... Lv.	4 20am	9 40pm
9 16am	1 15am	Ar. .....Baltimore..... Lv.	2 59am	8 20pm
11 35am	3 10am	Ar. .....West Philadelphia.... Lv.	12 19am	5 44pm
1 31pm	5 40am	Ar. .....Manhattan Tr. (a).. Lv.	9 50pm	3 58pm
1 50pm	b5 50am	Ar. .....NEW YORK..... Lv.	*9 30pm	*3 38pm
		(7th Ave. & 32nd St.)		

(a)—Connections made at Manhattan Transfer with trains to and from Jersey City and thence with Desbrosses or Cortlandt street ferries and with Hudson River Terminal tubes to and from lower New York City.
b—Sleeper may be occupied until 7:30 A. M.

48 and 49—Pullman parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman service.

42 and 41—Pullman Broiler buffet sleeping cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains with Pullman service.

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*7 00pm	*8 40am	Lv. ... WILMINGTON ... Ar.	6 15pm	9 45am
11 45pm	1 18pm	Ar. .. .. Rocky Mount ... Lv.	12 58pm	5 05am
3 30am	1 20pm	Lv. .. .. Rocky Mount .. .. Ar.	12 55pm	10 55pm
4 15am	2 05pm	Ar. ... ... Tarboro ... ... Lv.	12 18pm	9 58pm
8 00am	5 55pm	Ar. .. .. NORFOLK ... .. Lv.	*8 15am	*620pm

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2 25pm	3 25pm	Ar. .....Charleston..... Lv.	4 37pm	5 25am
2 25am	3 30pm	Ar. .....Savannah..... Lv.	12 05pm	12 25am
11 55am	2 20am	Ar ..... Albany ..... Lv.	1 25am	1 55pm
9 40am	1 45am	Ar. .....Thomasville..... Lv.	2 05am	2 05pm
5 50pm	8 50am	Ar. .....Montgomery..... Lv.	6 50pm	6 05am
7 15am	8 00pm	Ar. .....JACKSONVILLE..... Lv.	7 30am	7 55pm
2 05pm	2 16am	Ar. .....Sanford, Fla..... Lv.	1 35am	2 55pm
7 00pm	7 00am	Ar. .....TAMPA..... Lv.	9 00pm	10 30am
8 55pm	8 00am	Ar. ST. PETERSBURG.... Lv.	8 15pm	6 45am
10 20pm	1 05pm	Ar FORT MYERS..... Lv.	*3 00pm	*6 45am

ALL TRAINS CARRY PULLMAN SLEEPING CARS—Sleeper arriving Wilmington on No. 50 at 11:40 P. M., may be occupied until 7:00 A. M., and sleeper leaving Wilmington on No. 51 at 5:45 A. M. will be open to receive passengers at 10:00 P. M., the previous night. Seat fares sold in Pullman cars to and from Wilmington.

55	51	*Daily	52-50	54
*3:10pm	*5 45am	Lv..... WILMINGTON..... Ar.	11 40pm	1 40pm
7 25pm	9 30am	Ar..... Florence..... Lv.	8 00pm	9 30am
9 20pm	11 15am	Ar..... Sumter..... Lv.	5 55pm	7 40am
11 10pm	12 50pm	Ar..... COLUMBIA..... Lv.	4 10pm	6 00am
9 25am	.....	Ar..... AUGUSTA..... Lv.	2 30pm	.....
11:50pm	1 10pm	Lv ..... COLUMBIA, Sou. Ry. .. Ar	2 30pm	4 40am
5 30am	7 40pm	Ar..... Saluda...Sou. Ry..... Lv.	8 45am	10 25pm
6 00am	8 15pm	Ar..... Hendersonville..Sou. ..... Lv.	8 05am	9 50pm
7 00am	9 15pm	Ar..... ASHEVILLE Sou. Ry..... Lv.	7 00am	8 50pm
7 20pm	.....	Ar..... Knoxville...Sou. Ry..... Lv.	*1 35am	7 40am
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57	51	53	*Dly.	Dly. Ex. Sun.	xSun	only.	54	50	58
7 30pm	*5 45am	*3 15pm	Lv.....	WILMINGTON.	...Ar.	1 40pm	11 40pm	8 30am	
9 15pm	7 28am	5 00pm	Ar.....	CHADBOURN.	...Lv.	*11 40am	*9 56pm	6 25am	
10 10pm	11 50am	x5 15pm	Lv.....	CHADBOURN.	...Ar.	7 10am	5 00pm	6 15am	
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61	53	*Daily	Daily ex. Sun	60	52
6 30pm	*8 45am	Lv..... WILMINGTON.....	Ar.	10 15am	8 05pm
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11 10pm	1 40pm	Ar..... SANFORD.....	Lv.	15 05am	*3 30pm

62	64	*Daily.	Daily Except Sunday.	63	65
*3 25pm	5 50am	Lv..... WILMINGTON.....	Ar.	12 50pm	6 50pm
5 22pm	7 42am	Ar..... Jacksonville, N. C.....	Lv.	10 55am	4 55pm
6 44pm	9 10am	Ar..... Nor. & Sou. Junction.....	Lv.	9 35am	3 35pm
6 50pm	9 15am	Ar..... NEWBERN, N. C.....	Lv.	*9 30am	13 30pm

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8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45
11:30	12:15
1:00 P. M.	1:45 P. M.
2:00	2:45
3:00	3:45
3:30	4:15
4:30	5:15
5:30	6:25
6:10	6:50
7:10	7:50
8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45

SUNDAYS.

8:30 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
9:30	10:15
10:00	10:45
11:30	12:15 P. M.
1:00 P. M.	1:45
2:00 and every half hour until	2:45 and every half hour until
5:30	6:25
6:10	6:50
7:10	7:50
8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45

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Sundays: 8:30, 9:30, 10:00 11:30 A. M.; 1:00, 2:00, 230, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington:
Week Days: 6:20, 7:30 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M.; 12:25, 1:55, 2:55, 3:55, 4:55, 5:25, 6:35, 7:00, 8:00, 9:25, 10:55, 11:30 P. M.
Sundays: 9:25, 10:25, 10:55, A. M.; 12:25 1:55, 2:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 6:35, 7:00, 8:00, 9:25, 10:55, 11:30 P. M.

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Ar. Cincinnati	7:30 a m	6:25 p m
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Sunday, December 18, 1910.

Narrow minded men probably approve hobble skirts.

We fear the Geeks bearing gifts in the shape of Federal appointments for divers Democrats.

The Egg Trust wouldn't dare to cut the price of eggs to a cent a piece, because it would be in restraint of the trade of a fellow who manages to sell them for 2 1-2 cents.

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To fight or not to fight. That is the question. For individuals to fight is undignified, unrefined and positively vulgar. For nations to war is brutish, uncivilized, and destructive of human life and treasure. In this day of enlightment, when every man ought to be every other man's brother, we stand for peace.

It is said that "opportunity knocks once at every man's door." However, if a fellow goes to the door he may not be prepared to seize the opportunity that presents itself. Therefore, every man should prepare himself so he can take hold of some of the big opportunities and not have to be content with the little ones.

Speaking about the tax on incomes, there ought to be a tax on outgoes Whenever an American girl possesses millions some titled guy in Europe comes over, makes her his bride and transfers her wealth to the old country for the relief of inpecuniosity. The latest announcement is that Lord Decies is to marry Miss Vivian Gould, of New York,, who is not yet 18 years old.

The Petersburg Index-Appeal, always a most excellent and able newspaper, has greatly improved under the new regime. It is one of the brightest of our Virginia exchanges, and we know of no State press so generally brilliant on its editorial pages as Virginia papers. The Index-Appeal is an old friend in whose evident vigor and prosperity we rejoice.

Because Associate Justice Edward B. White has been confirmed as Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, a contemporary says "he is one judge who cannot be overruled." We don't know so much about that. The Chief Justice is a married man and members of the Married Men's Union are prepared to believe that when he is at home he "affirms" more than he "hands down." We are satisfied, however, that Chief Justice White has the ability to render obedience at home as well as to render opinions when he is on the bench.

Says the Petersburg Index-Appeal: "The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot has cut off the Washington Herald from its exchange list. The Herald, employing "alliteration's artful aid," suggests "Naughty Norfolk" as a suitable name for the City by the Sea." The Star started this thing and aimed to make alliteration alluring by pointing to "Winsome Wilmington," but scapegrace paragraphers in Virginia and Washington are about to make a snarl of it. "Naughty Norfolk" indeed! Fancy how indecorous it would be to say Pusilanimous Portsmouth.

HOMELESS LITTLE ONES.

While Santa Claus will be good to thousands of children who have good homes and are where they can be found by the good old elf in the midst of the good fortune which has fallen to their lot, there are many little ones all over this land who never have heard of Santa Claus and have no homes, or else have homes of gloom and disadvantageous surroundings that blight their little lives. In this land of happiness and plenty it is sad to reflect that there are little neglects, waifs and castaways whose only hope is in the broad spirit of humanity and generous benevolence of a Christian people. How many of such children have we aided in finding a home?

At the Yuletide it is well to remember that the "North Carolina Children's Home Society" is engaged in the blessed work of rescuing children and finding for them homes where their lives can be bettered and their chances in life improved. That society is doing a great work in North Carolina and the extent and success of that work depends upon the humane and benevolent people of the State whose hearts go out to the homeless and the unfortunate. The work was begun in North Carolina September 15th, 1903, by Mr. W. B. Streeter, State superintendent, whose operations were conducted from Greensboro. Through his active work and deep interest in behalf of homeless children, the society in seven and a quarter years, up to December 15th, 1910, has rescued 1,080 children and secured homes for nearly half that number. The total cost from the beginning of this great work has been $49,946.73, which makes the cost for each little piece of humanity taken into sheltering arms $46.25 per capita. Since June 1, 1910, the society has handled 145 new cases, a 25 per cent. larger number than during any similar period heretofore.

This will give some idea of the extent and great importance of the work of the North Carolina Children's Home Society, and it can but impress everybody with the sacred usefulness of such a humane organization in our great State. The scope of its work and its great achievements entitle it to the liberal aid of the good people of North Carolina, and those who would like to take a hand in helping to find a home for the uplift of unfortunate children will no doubt take pleasure in sending to State Superintendent Streeter any contributions they may feel disposed to make. His address is 506 Southern Life and Trust Building, Greensboro, N. C.

Mr. Streeter makes an appeal for a special Christmas contribution and it gratifies the Star to be the means of placing before beneficent Wilmington people the claims of the society. A number of Wilmington children who needed protection and care, have been tenderly cared for by the society and its work of searching for and rescuing the little ones extends into every county in the State. The society is recognized as a great North Carolina institution and many of the leading men in North Carolina have identified themselves with it. The president of the society is Gen. J. S. Carr, of Durham, and its vice presidents are President F. P. Venable, of the North Carolina University, and the Hon. Robert D. Douglas, of Greensboro. The 34 directors embrace leading men in various portions of the State, among them being the Rev. A. D. McClure and Mr. P. Pearsall, of Wilmington; Hon. Chas. B. Aycock, of Goldsboro, and others.

It is gratifying to note the success of this work in our State and that through the generous aid to this noble work the society is now building at Durham a "receiving home," where rescued children can be taken till homes are found for them. Very appropriately the home is to known as "Joyland" and judging from a cut of it, the home will be a most beautiful and attractive institution. This splendid work can be confidently aided by every man, woman and child who may be interested in practically saving the lives of hundreds of little human beings whose rescue is for the present and eternity.

Well, so far as passive receptivity is concerned, nobody is likely to be indifferent towards the munificence of Santa Claus.

Congressman John K. Tener, recently elected governor of Pennsylvania, is six feet six inches tall. No wonder the Democrats failed to snow him under.

The Philadelphia Telegraph remarks: "'Billy' Lorimer owes a letter of thanks to Judge Baldwin, of Connecticut, who refuses to eat with the Colonel." Yes, but what will Billy think of himself when he realizes that Judge Baldwin refused to stick his extremities under the mahogany with the man who wouldn't be caught at a banquet with Lorimer?

The Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer has installed a linotype machine and it is evidence that Editor Boylan has been winning while he has been helping Wadesboro to win. With better facilities, he will be able to make his excellent and popular paper all the more worthy of the fine town of Wadesboro and the splendid county of Anson.

Says the Fairmont Messenger: "Alex. Fullmore, one of the very best among the colored farmers of this section, killed a porker this week weighing 510 pounds. Uncle Alex. is one of the good old antebellum darkies, and owns his farm, buggies, wagons and raises his own bacon, and plenty of corn, peas, potatoes and cotton." Industrious colored men like Alex. Fullmore, Robeson county's colored farmer, practice what Booker Washington teaches, and they are in a position to give the horse laugh to the idea that there is any race problem with a solution attached to it. Farmer Fullmore's common sense, industry and thrift make him a good living, and at the same time it guarantees him the friendship and commendation of his white neighbors.

Next Friday is "North Carolina Day" in the public schools throughout the State. In all the schools from the seashore to the mountains the feature of the day will be a study of North Carolina poets and poetry. The subject is an exceedingly interesting and important one, as it will serve to emphasize the fact that North Carolina has produced and still boasts many writers with the true aflatus. Many poetic gems have come from North Carolina pens and among them are some fugative verses that frequently appear in the newspapers to be passed over and overlooked and forgotten. Some North Carolina poets have produced books but it is to be hoped that in some way the gems which lie hidden in the files of newspapers may be brought forth and published in an attractive volume.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Says Mr. Wickersham: "Publicity is only dangerous to bad corporations." Yet he adds that all corporations are afraid of it. The inference is plain.—Baltimore Evening Sun.

Guilford county has 672 square miles. The promoters of the new county ask for only about 50 square miles. So far as area goes they are modest enough in their desires.—Greensboro Telegram.

In spite of the $180,000,000 that has been given away, Andrew Carnegie's income is still so great that during the ten seconds that it may take you to read this, his income will have been increased by $3.—New York World.

A millionaire matchmaker declares that freight rates are more effective than the tariff in raising the cost of living. But then it must be admitted that the tariff has been making some mighty sturdy efforts to keep up.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Judge Speer as Santa Claus! He told an Echols county lawbreaker who had been convicted before him: "You go home and get into your wife's stocking (on Christmas Eve), and tell her I sent you as a Christmas present." That was graceful, and the prisoner doubtless felt grateful. But how did the learned judge know that the lady would not have preferred a chocolate candy horse?—Savannah News.

Wilmington Star: "When the Hon. William J. Bryan expresses an opinion or makes a suggestion he is accused of 'dictation.' When other big guns express opinions or make suggestions, the same accusers commend them for taking a hand in the party's anairs as leaders. The Nebraskan will please note when dictation is dictation and when dictation is not dictation." The rank and file of Democrats, whether accepting every doctrine of Mr. Bryan's or not, are willing to give him a square deal and to accord him respectful hearing, as a big man of their party, not always right, but always honest. Democrats who wouldn't vote for Mr. Bryan when he was the party nominee in 1896 are the ones who protest most frequently and loudly against his "dictation."—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

The weaker his case the more emphatic the pleader; the shallower his ideas, the louder the orator; the more indefinite his programme, the more insistent the reformer. It is nature's great law of compensation working to strike a balance. One is tempted to meditations of this character in reading some of the political comment that is emanating in these days from certain high sources. For example, Senator LaFollette in the last issue of his weekly concludes that "today the paramount power in our land is not a Democracy, not a Republic ,but an autocracy of centralized, systemized business, industrial and financial." "'Government of the people, by the people, and for the people,' he inhists, "has perished from the earth in the United States of America." This is not the first time the "pompadour" statesman has been carried away by the exuberance of his own verbosity and blown himself into thin air by the explosions of his own overemphasis, but coming from a Senator of the United States, out of the calm deliberation of his editorial musings, such judgments would be laughable if they were not so liable to mislead the thoughtless and uninformed.—Baltimore Sun.

Wilmington is the last city to begin to agitate for a commission form of government. Raleigh was the first and, under the leadership of Hon. Richard H. Battle, an attempt was made two years ago to secure the passage of an act by which any city could adopt the Commission plan of government, but the bill failed in the Legislature, and one of the reasons that induced Mr. Battle to accept the nomination for the Legislature was to secure the passage of a Government-by-Commission Act. Recently Greensboro, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, and now Wilmington are moving to secure such government. There are ninety-six cities in America now that are under this form of government and in most of them the improvement in city administration is marked. In the last Atlantic there is traced definitely and interestingly the reforms and tagible benefits which have accrued to the town of Haverhill by the Commission form of government. President Eliot, of Harvard, a profound student of government, thinks this system should be universally adopted. Texas is the home of this new method of city administration and its twenty chief cities, including the State Capital, are so governed, Kansas and Iowa come next and the success in Houston, Texas, Des-Moines, Iowa—one a Democratic and the other a Republican city—has, perhaps, been more notable than in any other city. There are many people in Raliegh who wish this system tried here, and we hope that next year it will be put in operation. Mr. George Bailey, of the Houston Post, who formerly lived in Raleigh, strongly advises its adoption based upon his observation of the experience in Houston where it has transformed the city administration and made Houston an example for emulation. Let's try it in Raleigh! —Raleigh News and Observer.

WILMINGTON TO FAYETTEVILLE

Bladen Journal Suggests Another Great Highway—Would Run Through Historic and Interesting Region.

(Bladen Journal, Clarkton, Dec. 15.)

It is entirely useless for us to argue as to the advisability of constructing good roads throughout the country, for it is absolutely evident to the most pessimistic that the salvation of the land depends upon its public highways. Interest in North Carolina, in fact, in the whole South, was never more intensified on the subject of good roads than at the present. Good roads is the paramount issue in many progressive counties. They are being constructed both by bond issue and direct tax. The next twenty-five years will probably witness a net work on highways from one end of this old Commonwealth to the other. It is superfluous to say that the State will be benefitted by this great movement, which will add millions of dollars to the material worth of the State.

In constructing good roads the counties are the promoters. If the road is to be some length then a union of the counties through which the proposed road passes is necessary. We have seen such co-operation in the inter-city highwty established in certain sections of the State recently. In our own section the Wilmington-Charlotte highway has been successfully laid out and interest has been greatly quickened by this highway along its entire route. People along the route have gone to work and have improved the roads. Charlotte and Wilmington today, feel closer together on account of this additional connecting bond.

The good work ought not to stop with the laying out of the Wilmington-Charlotte highway ;the people of Cumberland, Bladen and Pender counties are saying, why can't there be a Wilmington - Fayetteville, highway? The steamboats to the Upper Cape Fear city have the river, the trains have the railroad track; but the wagons of the farmer, the buggies of the traveller and the automobiles of the tourist have not the roads.

In a recent twenty-five mile drive from Wilmington through southern Pender and eastern Bladen ,we found much interest in road improvement and enthusiasm was paramount over the prospects of a highway from Wilmington to Fayetteville. One man who lives on Black River at Beatty's bridge, was so enthusiastic that he said that he would gladly build a sand clay road through his section. Further up in Bladen the same spirit prevails.

The most practical route for such a highway from Wilmington to Fayetteville would be up the east side of the Cape Fear River. This is by far the nearest way too, advantage can be taken of the good roads already established. The most feasible route is as follows: Starting at Wilmington go to Castle Hayne, cross Northeast Cape Fear on ferry; turn west about half mile on other side river; cross A. C. L.; follow Pender county road to the vilage of Long Branch; cross Long Creek on bride, thence to Currie; pass battle ground of Moore's creek, cross creek on bridge on Black River. The route then, is from Beatty's bridge to Black Lake, White Lake thence to J. G. Sutton's within one mile of Elizabethtown. From this point the route is to White Oak and from White Oak to Fayetteville. The distance of such a highway would be about seventy-two miles.

Such a route would be attractive to the tourist. Starting at Fayetteville the traveler would encounter some of the best farming country in the State in Southern Cumberland and northern Elizabethtown is just one mile from the route. Here great activity brought on by the new railroad is to be found. The battle of Elizabethtown and the famous "Tory Hole" are places of interest. Passing on southward, the beautiful White Lake, a favorite Summer resort, is reached. This is probably North Carolina's most beautiful natural lake. In this section, which might be properly called the "Lake District of Bladen," we find several beautiful sheets of water. Singletary Lake and Black Lake, both lie in this region. The Moore's Creek battleground is known to all and is a place of great interest. Great celebrations are held here annually, and with a good road could be easily reached from Wilmington.

Such a highway would mean a great deal for Bladen and especially Elizabethtown. The route as above mentioned would be along the two natural thoroughfares from the county seat to the eastern and northeastern sections of the county. Elizabethtown with its new railroad and improved highways would become a metropolis in a short time. The snackles of inaccessibility with which it has been encompassed for years would fall away.

If the highway was established from Wilmington to Fayetteville, then naturally would result its continuation to Raleigh by way of Lillington in Harnett county. Then we would have a "capital-to-the-sea" route. How about it Raleigh, Elizabethtown, Lillington, Wilmington and Fayetteville?

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ABOUT POTASH CONTROVERSY

Where the Farmer Comes In for His Share in Benefits—Situation From Viewpoint of the Potash Syndicate.

For some months there have been appearing cables from Berlin to the effect that unless the demands of the American fertilizer manufacturers were granted a rupture of commercial relations between the United States and Germany would follow. These have been supplemented by an interview credited to Mr. R. S. Bradley, chairman of the board of directors of the American Agricultural Chemical Co., on his return.

These dispatches and interview give only one side of the case, that of some American fertilizer manufacturers, and they fail to set forth many facts which are of importance to the real consumers of potash salts; that is, to the American farmer.

In the contracts the American fertilizer manufacturers agreed to assume all taxes imposed by the German government. They knew that some regulation of the production had been under consideration for some years, and that such regulation was imperative in order to conserve the potash supplies and to prevent such results as have already been brought about by the unscrupulous exploitation of the phosphate, coal and lumber resources of this country.

They also knew that the German courts had awarded heavy damages against mine owners for making contracts in the night in the manner that Mr. Bradley states his were secured.

The first law that was proposed was withdrawn because it seemed to discriminate against the Americans, and the new law was very carefully framed to avoid all discrimination. It applies to all potash mined without regard to whether it is used in Germany or is exported—all contracts, French as well as American, were treated alike.

The real tax is trifling, being from 15 to 65 cents per ton, which is less than the usual State taxes on the same money value in fertilizers in the United States. It is the tax on the production that is worrying those who in their rush to get a low price, bound themselves to pay any governmental charges.

The law provides for a government commission that estimates the annual requirements and apportions this on an equitable basis among the 68 mines. Should the estimate be found too low, it can be increased at once, the purpose not being to limit production ,but rather to increase it. In fact, a considerable part of the tax is expended in work intended to increase the use of potash in agriculture.

Since Germany uses as much potash as all the rest of the world, each mine is required to sell half its lawful production in Germany and the remainder may be exported. A mine may exceed its lawful quota by 10 per cent. without any further penalty than having the excess deducted from its quota of the following year. Should a mine go beyond this in exceeding its fair and lawful quota, it must pay a tax on its over-production which is so high as to be unprofitable. This is far more effective in enforcing the new law they took particular pains does not require the action of any court.

Perhaps, if the holders of the American contracts had made no objection to the first law as proposed, they would find themselves in a better position now; but their noisy protestations put the Germans on their guard, and in framing the new law they took particular pains to avoid everything that might appear to be a discrimination against anyone. Indeed, they went even further, and inserted a clause providing that the proper authorities might make concessions in the over-production tax for two years to such an extent that the holders of these contracts would pay no more for their potash than before; but this provision did not apply to the speculative options which extended for some years more.

Some years ago many American fertilizer companies signed potash contracts in which no price was named, the contracts simply stating that they were to pay the same price as the American Agricultural Chemical Co. This latter company by its action in signing a contract assuming all governmental charges seems to have put these other companies in a bad position.

The German law does not require the formation of any syndicate. Every mine is at liberty to sell its quotas as it sees fit. The mines find it more economical to sell through one agency and most of them sell in this way. These syndicates or selling agencies are quite different from the so-called fertilizer trusts in America, since they are formed for only five years, with merely a nominal capital. The government exercises a rigid control over them and uses them to market the products of the State mines. This control is exercised in the interest of the real consumer, the farmer.

The law provides potash shall not be exported for a less price than that paid by German farmers, a principle that might well be applied to American phosphates.

Anyone who is familiar with the methods of the so-called American fertilizer trusts cannot fail to be impressed with their solicitude lest there be a rupture of commercial relations between the two countries, nor with their magnanimous offer to surrender the paltry sum of $12,000,000 in order to avoid this calamity. Such patriotism is unique. Possibly the fact that the great packing houses are owners of extensive fertilizer factories may have something to do with it. To the innocent bystander it appears that American buyers must feel that they have a very weak case if they are willing to offer $12,000,000 as the price of a compromise.

From Mr. Bradley's interview one might be led to think that all potash sent from Germany after the law was passed was taxed $22 per ton. This is not true. Only the over-production of each mine bears this tax. There is plenty of potash to be obtained from any of the other mines at the usual prices. In fact, the American farmer is today buying potash at 10 to 15 per cent. less than ever before. This is due to the fact that the German mine owners have changed their methods of selling in America. Formerly they had a few exclusive agents who sold only to the fertilizer manufacturers. These manufacturers did not sell the potash salts to the farmer, but used them in mixtures, the so-called standard one containing only 2 per cent. potash, and many of them even less. Thus the farmer to secure a little potash was obliged to take a great quantity of other material, no small amount of which consisted of filler having no fertilizing value.

In the South some kainit was sold as such to cotton growers, but it was used as a "leader" to secure orders for mixed goods, and salesmen were expected to sell no more kainit than was necessary in securing the mixed goods order.

Many small mixing plants have been started in the South in connection with the crushing of cotton seed. These plants mix cotton seed meal, acid phosphate and potash salts, making the same grade of goods as the large factories, but selling them locally at less prices than the large manufacturers who have repeatedly demanded that potash should not be furnished to these small mixers.

Even under these handicaps the American potash trade steadily increased, although the farmer could obtain but a fraction of the potash that he wished to buy, and got that at an unnecessarily high price. This condition of affairs led the Germans to discontinue sales through a few exclusive agents and to sell direct through its American corporation, the German Kali Works, which sells to anyone, any kind of potash salts, in any quantity from a single 200-pound sack to a ship load. This method, which cuts out three sets of profits, permits the farmer to secure his potash for less than ever before, even though the cost of mining has steadily increased.

From time to time the American fertilizer manufacturers have tried to combine to advance and maintain prices and to refuse to sell raw materials to farmers who wished to prepare their own mixtures. Some of these attempts have succeeded for a time, but ammoniates and phosphates can be secured from so many sources that new companies are constantly entering the field. Potash being derived from a single source, is easily controlled, but the Germans' plan of direct sales to everyone, in any quantity, at a reasonable price, serves to prevent the manufacturers from forming combinations in restraint of trade and for the exploitation of the farmer, and permits the farmer to secure his fertilizer materials at reasonable cost.

One of the demands of the American fertilizer companies was: "that the German potash syndicate shall undertake not to do any direct business in the United States." This demand was refused. Had it been granted the American fertilizer companies could have readily recovered (at the expense of the American farmer) the $12,000,000 that they were willing to pay for a "compromise."

It is hardly necessary to remark that the American public is in no humor to approve of an executive order for maximum rates on German imports as a retaliatory measure against a law that places the people of all nations on an equal footing, and prevents the fertilizer companies from unduly exploiting the American farmer, who spends annually more than $100,000,000 for fertilizers. **

WILL BE GREAT GATHERING.

President and Fifteen Governors Will Attend Commercial Congress.

(Special Star oCrrespondence.)

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Taft will address the greatest gathering of business men ever held in this country on March 10th, at Atlanta, Ga., where the Southern Commercial Congress will be in session for three days beginning March 8th, 1911. The governors of the other 15 Southern States united with Governor Brown, of Georgia, in extending this invitation to President Taft, which was delivered to him today through the executive committee of the Southern Commercial Congress and a committee from Georgia.

The programme of the three days will be the most important in the history of the commercial South, and invitations will be issued to the most prominent men of the Nation to participate. In addition to the address b ythe President, who has chosen for his subject, "A Greater Nation Through a Greater South," addresses will be made by ex-President Roosevelt, Gov. Elect Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey; Hon. T. V. Powderly, Surgeon General Walter Wyman, the governors of the Southern States, and other distinguished men throughout out the entire country.

This vast rally is intended to typify in a vivid manner to the people of the Nation that the South, regarding itself as an integral portion of our great country, has set itself to the task of building a still greaeer Nation through the greter growth and development of a still greate South.

Final arrangements of the programme are now being completed by the executive committee of the Southern Commercial Congress at Washington, who expect to announce the full list of speakers within a few days.

PROGRESS THROUGHOUT SOUTH

North Carolina Iron Deposit to be Developed—Huge Cotton Mill Merger in South Carolina—Enterprises.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Baltimore, Dec. 17.—Reports to the Manufacturers' Record show that during the past week great progress has been made in industrial activity throughout the South. Many enterprises of various kinds, some of them exceptionally large, have been undertaken and some have been announced as definitely placed under contract. In South Carolina plans are being matured for the merging of nine big cotton mills with a capitalization of $10,000,000, the plans having in view the raising of a considerable amount of new capital and the development on broad lines of this great undertaking. Among the mills included are a number of the largest in the Piedmont section.

Plans which have been under way for more than a year for the development of a great iron ore field in Texas with a view to shipping ore from Texas ports to Philadelphia for distribution to Eastern furnaces, are materializing and it is announced that contracts will be let immediately for the construction of 50 miles of railroad from the Santa Fe system into the ore fields, which are to be developed with steam shovels and other modern improvements for the handling of ore in the field and at the docks in a large way.

The increasing attention that is being given in the South to the raising of live stock has resulted in the organization of the Southern Packing Co., at Jackson, Miss., which has been incorporated with $1,000,000 capital stock, for the purpose of establishing a meat packing plant.

Among the many enterprises of note reported during the week in the Manufacturers' Record the following may be taken as indicative of the widespread activity and the diversity of enterprises nvolved.

An Atlanta company will establish a plant at Baltimore, expending about $500,000 for the construction and equipment of an eight-story and basement building of brick fireproof construction with power plant, etc., providing facilities for light manufacturing in the upper stories.

Nollohcky Power Corporation, Erwin, Tenn., has plans and estimates for its waterpower electrical plant, contemplating an installation to develop 13,000 horsepower and estimating the cost of dam construction, machinery, etc., at $434,000.

Morton Butler, Chicago, purchased for himself and associates 25,000 acres of iron and timber lands in Tennessee and North Carolina and contemplates development.

Steubenville & Panhandle Coal Co., Wellsburg, W. Va., recently incorporated with $1,000,000 capital stock, plans developing 1,500 acres of land for a daily output of 1,000 tons of coal.

Texas Orchard Development Co., Houston, Tex., was incorporated with $1,500,000 capital stock, purchased a 30,000-acre ranch and plans thorough development, largely for orange cultivation.

City of Birmingham ,Ala., and officials of railways entering that city have reached an agreement ensuring the construction of the proposed First avenue and 28th street viaducts, an expenditure of about $1,125,000 being contemplated.

Pittsburg Lumber Co., Pittsburg, Pa., will expend about $50,000 for erecting a band saw mill with a daily capacity of 70,000 feet of timber; buildings to be of concrete and wood construction; mill to be located in Carter county, Tenn.

Oakland Mills, Newberry, S. C., awarded contract for the construction of a four-story 130x216-foot building, which will be equipped with 20,000 spindles and 600 looms for manufacturing print cloth.

Canton Box Co., Baltimore, has plans for a two-story 107x125-foot factory building of concrete and steel construction, to be equipped for manufacturing wooden boxes.

Alabama Fuel & Iron Co., Birmingham, Ala., is considering bids for the

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CAROLINA'S WINTER RESORT

Pleasure Reigns at Pinehurst—Northern Visitors Come With Their Automobiles—Touring is Fine—Fox Hunting.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 17.—Glorious Autumn days are keeping all much in the open air and thus early motoring over the roads recently opened by the Capital to Capital Highway Association is much in vogue, for communication is now established between the Middle South resorts. The cars of the local garage are in constant demand and many visitors will bring their machines, among the first, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Ralph, of Philadelphia, who have the 50 H. P. Locomobile, in which they toured abroad, and are making many interesting trips.

Quail shooting is prime, while golf, tennis and riding are all occupying attention. Many are here for the holidays and bookings for the week to come are unusually large. An interesting and interested visitor of the week was Mr. Augustus Post, the famous aeronaut, who made a short visit. "Man, like the birds, will in all truth, soon be flying southward to escape Northern Winter," said Mr. Post to the Star correspondent, "and a few of us are already looking for places to light, for like the autoists, we seek creature comforts at our resting places."

The arrival of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Twitty, of Buffalo, marks the opening of the fox hunting season, the first meet being held Wednesday with plans for three hunts weekly during the remainder of the season. Mr. and Mrs. Twitty bring their prize winning pack of English and American hounds, a string of trained hunters, and with foxes plentiful, rare sport is assured.

Menagerie golf is the newest of Pinehursts' creations, a novelty which is fast becoming a fad among devotees of four ball play. It is so named because of the terms applied to the point system of scoring ,both the aggregate and best ball, based on bogey, counting. One below bogey, a "canary," counts one and two below, an "eagle," two. Two above, a "skunk", or a ball in the pond, a "frog," are minus one and three above, an "elephant," minus two. The special attraction lies in the fact that every ball is holed and the poor player has a "look in." The score is kept with "beans," each bean the equivalent of a ogif ball or fraction thereoff; the old "rangdoodle" game in new form.

CHIEF JUSTICE WHITE, PIANIST.

Plays Only, However, for His Own Entertainment.

(From New York American.)

The new head of the United States Supreme Court probably is the only man ever placed in that exalted position who is an accomplished pianist.

Chief Justice White's main diversion is the piano. It is a sourec of self-entertainment, through which he gets relief from the acres of ponderous judicial thought and research.

But he rarely plays for the entertainment of friends. Persons on his visiting list frequently have entered his residence and surreptitiously listened to his manipulation of the keys with rapt enjoyment. When discovered he has shown embarrassment—sometimes annoyance.

On one occasion, while strolling with his chum, Associate Justice Holmes, Justice White entered a music store and seated himself at a piano. Running his fingers over the keys with dexterity, he astounded the Massachusetts jurist with the strains of an aria from an opera they had attended the evening before and the fine points of which they had been discussing on their walk.

In a jiffy a pleased crowd assembled. But so absorbed was Justice White that he did not notice his audience until from memory he had rendered the aria, which he had not played for years. When he saw the crowd he blushed and hurried through a rear door.

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FARMING IN LONE STAR STATE

All the Luxuries of the City on Many Ranches—William J. Bryan Owns Alfalfa Farm.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 17.—Civilization in its most up to date phases has followed the turning of the cattle ranches and ranges in Texas into farms. The phrase "wresting the last frontier from the wilderness" is misleading in the mental picture it convys for there is none of the danger and hardship so dramatically attendant upon the settling of the West. The big farm today in Texas is reached by a 43 horsepower automobile that goes flashing over good roads, through mesquite thickets and live oad and pecan forests, or climbs the hill where the cactus and the Spanish dagger are the only signs of vegetation. A farm house, lighted by electricity, cooled by electric fans, furnished with ice from its own plant and with porcelain tubs and flowing water affords the farmer as many comforts as he could procure in the city. Not only that, but by irrigation plants water is made to flow up the hill, crops are harvested by machinery and in nine out of ten large ranch houses may be found a telephone.

It is a new era in farming in Texas. Many of these new farms have been started ,redeemed from the wilderness, within the past three or four years. Wealthy farmers in the Northern States have come to oSuthwest eTxas, either for reasons of health, preferring a climate that gives them Summer in the midst of Winter, or else from a realization of the greater opportunities when the soil is producing 12 months in the year through a rotation of crops, there being no snow and ice to cover the ground for from six to eight months, as was the case in his former home. William Jennings Bryan is among those who have invested in fruit and alfalfa lands and who make their Winter homes here, maintaining a foreman who acts in their absence, so that in addition to a place where the ycan spend the Winter, they have a farm highly productive and consequently remunerative.

The famous "U" ranch owned by George McEntire, in Sterling county, can be citod as an example of the big Texas farm of today. Hundreds of acres of choice land are under scientific cultivation aided by irriagtion. Part of it is seeded to alfalfa and a large number of acres are devoted to corn, beans, turnips, tomatoes, pepper, cabbage and other vegetables. Cattle and other live stoc arke also raised. A 20-horse power engine attached to a large centrifugal pump, is used to raise water from the North Concho river. The pump is capable of raising 200 gallons a minute and it is a strange sight to see the water running up stream. On a knoll overlooking the country is the farm house, a revelation in modern equipment and convenience. Under the house are two large iron tanks which are kept full of water from a nearby wind mill. Near the house is a machine shop containing everything in the way of tools and machinery for scientific farming. In the shop is a small agsolene motor which furnishes power for a dynamo and an air condenser. A complete system of water pipes has been installed and when wanted for use the air from the air drums is turned on and sufficient pressure is exerted, not only to give a splendid flow from every faucet, but to throw water over the house at its highest point. These air drums also supply pressure for oil tanks and automobile tires. A small electric plant supplies the house with lights. The house is cleaned with an electric cleanser which is operated by the dynamo.

The piano and an expensive victrola grace a music room that would do credit to a Fifth avenue mansion and guests at the "U" ranch may hear the world's best singers at this ranch, miles from any railroad and 3,000 miles from New York. The house also has a splendid library ,and the hall, wide and hospitable, resembles that of a baronial castle. On the walls hang guns and old pistols dating from the Revolutionary war down to the present time. In addition there are numerous Indian relics.

Mr. Bryan purchased 160 acres at Mission, south of San Antonio, in the iRo Grande Valley, ,and has built a handsome bungalow. After having his land cleared he started growing oranges, figs, grapes, truck, some pecans and alfalfa.

Brisben Walker Father of Alfalfa.

(New York World.)

The Santa Fe line to Denver springs off at La Junta, in the sugar-beet country, and runs up to the mountain city through the Rocky Ford Valley where the golden melons grow, getting into the town finally through John Brisben Walker's farm. Mr. Walker left Tarrytown three years ago and went back to his Denver real estate where he made his first fortune and is now constructing a second. Colorado owes him all he may acquire in the way of fortune, for it was he who introduced alfalfa, that magic plant which enriches the soil and the farmer at the same time and makes even the desert green.

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MILLIONS MAY BE DEVIDED

What If Huge Sugar Trust is Dissolved?—Capital Stock $90,000,000. Stockholders Would Receive $150 Per Share.

(New York Journal of Commerce.)

A question that has recently been frequently propounded in financial circles is what will happen if the government's suits in equity against the three great original industrial combinations—the Standard Oil Company, the American Tobacco Company, and the American Sugar Refining Company—should prove successful? These suits in purpose are largely identical; they ask dissolution on the ground that all are combinations and conspiracies in restraint of interstate trade.

In the case of the Northern Securities Company, which is accepted as furnishing the chief precedent for the pending cases, the decision of the Supreme Court, it will be recalled, was that the property must be returned to its original owners. In other words, the combination was declared illegal, but the business and property of the company were not affected. There was no question of confiscation of the stockholders' property, and the business of the individual companies merged into the Northern Securities Company is now being conducted satisfactorily and profitably. It is understood that the three combinations in question are anxious for the Supreme Court's interpretation of the anti-trust law as applying to themselves. When the requirements of the statute have been definitely recorded the legal departments of the corporations concerned will lose no time in conforming to the terms of the decisions.

A representative of The Journal of Commerce yesterday interviewed Mr. Charles H. Allen, treasurer of the American Sugar Refining Company, regarding the attitude and preparations of his company in connection with the government's suit for dissolution.

"We have been advised by what we consider highest legal authority," replied Mr. Allen, "that our company is in every respect a legal organization and does not controvene the Sherman or any other act. We have no desire to violate any law of the land and if the courts decide that we are doing so we will, without delay, take whatever action is necessary to place our affairs on such a legal basis as shall be beyond dispute."

"Mr. Allen," the reporter suggested, "as you have recently come to the American Sugar Refining Company, and are understood to represent in your office as treasurer the New England interests now in control of the company, the public would be interested if you would answer certain questions pretty sure to arise in connection with the suit in equity the government is now bringing, asking a dissolution of the company."

"Perhaps so," assented Mr. Allen. "At all events, I believe in the tendency nowadays with respect to all these great corporations, that they should be treated as quasi-public corporations and the largest publicity, consistent with the proper management of their affairs should be given to the public. There is no reason why any officer of the company should not welcome the widest investigation, properly made, nor is there anything, so far as I know, in the management of the company which calls for explanation or needs to be concealed What did you have particularly in mind about which you wish to inquire?"

"In the event of the court ordering the dissolution of the American Sugar Refining Company, what position would the stockholders be in?"

"The contingency of the dissolution of the company because of violation of an uninterpreted United States statute is so remote that it can hardly be considered, but if such a conclusion should be reached and the company should be liquidated, I presume the stockholders of the company would have to accept from $130 to $150 in cash in lieu of each share of stock they now hold in the company, such being practically the book or liquidating value of the shares."

"How do you arrive at this figure?"

"By a simple computation from the figures already in possession of the public, or such portion of it as has cared to investiagte the subject, and is based upon the actual figures from the last general balance sheet certified to by public accountants, the particular figure being made up in this way:

"The capital stock of the company consists of $45,000,000 of preferred stock and $45,000,000 of common stock. In the statement above referred to the assets of the company consisted of real estate and plants, including five active refineries and two refineries held in reserve in case of accident or fire, warehouses, cooperages, wharves, stables, with machinery and equipment, at cost, less depreciation, $52,841,537.66; stocks and bonds in security vaults, $37,196,211; cash, working capital, less accounts payable (the latter item amounting to about $3,300,000), $29,252,852; total net assets, $119,290,600.66.

"Against this amount the company has no debt; the above figures are net, all bills payable having been deducted. If, therefore, the stock be liquidated upon the above basis, each share of preferred and common stock would receive about $132."

"Of what do the assets consist."

"The item of real estate and plants includes, as stated above, the cane sugar refineries, the machinery and real estate, and very valuable operating plants, including the Chalmette refinery at New Orleans, the largest and most modern and up-to-date sugar refinery in the world, costing something like $6,000,000, and capable of a very large production at exceedingly low cost."

"What is included in the real estate besides refineries?"

"The real estate included in this item consists not alone in real estate in the large cities, with immensely valuable waterfronts and privileges, but also includes thousands of acres of timber lands in New York, Pennsylvania, Missouri and Arkansas upon which are located the stave mills of the company, producing for its use hundreds of thousands of staves and barrels annually used in its immense business. All these items are carried at a very conservative valuation."

"Of what do the investment securities consist?"

"Of the investments about 55 per cent. is represented in beet sugar properties, 20 per cent. in stock of the National Sugar Refining Company; 25 per cent. is in marketable stocks and bonds taken at fair prices. Its beet sugar properties represent investments made at a time when they were of great help in developing beet sugar business through the West, and are carried at a conservative valuation—extremely conservative considering their present earning power, but no more so, perhaps, than they should be carried, considering the possibility of adverse or hostile legislation affecting their value, but in this particular the company is very well fortified, from the fact that any legislation likely to adversely affect one branch of the refining business would have a corresponding advantage in other directions. That is to say, tariff legislation reducing the duty upon raw sugar would affect the beet sugar factories adversely, while being of advantage to the cane sugar interests, and, as the company has large interests in both branches of refining, it seems to have been very wisely managed with a view to protecting the interests of its stockholders."

"What is the extent of your investments in other cane sugar plants?"

"The company owns practically a quarter interest in the National Sugar Refining Company and a one-half interest in the Western Sugar Refining Company, of California. The company has no interest, directly or indirectly, in any cane lands or in any beet fields anywhere in the world, nor does it produce a single pound of raw sugar. It devotes its business entirely to the industry of refining sugar. It is in no sense a monopoly, and is subject daily to active and keen competition, which its superior facilities and acquaintance with the business enables it to meet successfully. So that I am confident the owner of shares in the American Sugar Refining Company may face the future with equanimity, whatever it brings."

"Now that you have interviewed viewed me," continued Mr. Allen, "I wish you would allow me to add for my own part the reassurance that this company, as at present managed, is wholesome, clean and honorably conducted; it is strong in assets and has no debt, and while the executive officers of the company, as well as the directors, are not deceiving themselves in any degree as to the attitude of the public toward the company, they are devoting themselves, in spite of this handicap, to the effort of so conducting its business as to reinstate it in public confidence, and with a confident hope of accomplishing this purpose."

AN ENTERPRISING UNION.

Printers Organization Has Nearly 1,800 Students Enrolled in Educational Course.

It is not as well known as it might be that the typographical union is interested in a trade educational project. A booklet just from the press tells us that nearly eighteen hundreds students are enrolled and that the lessons—which are given by correspondence—are sold below cost price. The union furnishes what in high educational circles would be called an endowment by paying all advertising and promotional expenses and giving each person who finishes the course from $5 up. It is estimated that from $8,000 to $10,000 a year is expended in this way by all the typographical unions.

The booklet refered to contains testimonials from students of the course, and from the youth of seventeen to the veteran of sixty-four they say the instruction given is of high value and well-worth the time and money required. This is but one of the many projects sustained by the printers' union. It has spent a million dollars maintaining a home and tuberculosis sanatorium which is conceded to be in the front rank of world institutions for fighting the white plague. It has also a pension system for aged and infirm members which costs about $200,000 a year. The minimum pension is $4 a week; in the larger cities this is supplemented by the local union so that in New York pensioners draw $8 a week and in Chicago $7.

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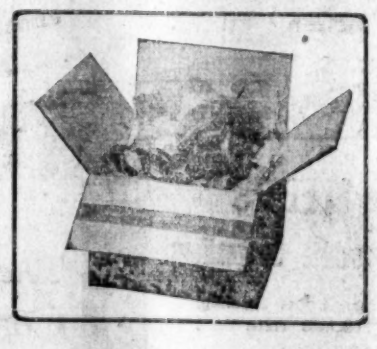

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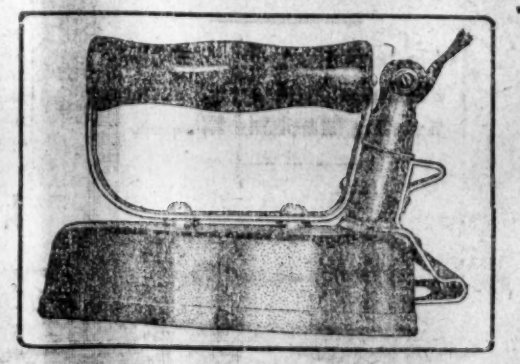

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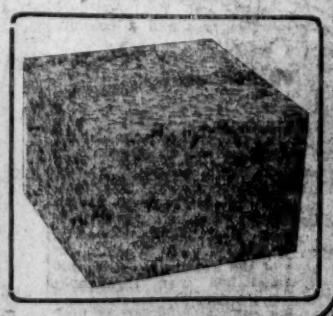

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First: A lot beginning in Western line of Second street, 97 feet south of Southern line of Church street; runs thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet; thence Southwardly parallel with Second Street 35 feet; thence Eastwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet to Second street; thence with the Western line of Second Street Northwardly 35 feet to the beginning.

Second: A lot beginning in the Western line of Second Street 169 feet South of the Southern line of Church Street; runs thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 110 feet; thence Southwardly parallel with Second Street 29 feet; thence Eastwardly parallel with Church Street 110 feet to Western line of Second Street; thence Northwardly with said line 29 feet to the beginning.

Third: A lot beginning in the Western line of Second Street 231 feet South of Southern line of Church Street; runs thence Southwardly with said line of Second Street 33 feet; thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet; thence Northwardly parallel with Second Street 33 feet; thence Eastwardly 165 feet to the beginning.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage made by Chas. L. Dickinson and wife Lilie W. Dickinson to Chadbourn Lumber Company, dated September 25, 1900, recorded in Book 58, at page 679 of the Records of New Hanover, the undersigned mortgagee will on the 11th day of January 1911, at the Court House door of New Hanover County, at 12 o'clock, noon, expose for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, situated in the City of Wilmington:

Beginning at a point in the western line of Second street 66 feet north of the northern line of Nun street, and runs thence along said line of Second street northwardly 66 feet, thence westwardly and parallel with Nun street 90 feet; thence southwardly and parallel with Second street 66 feet, and thence eastwardly and parallel with Nun street 90 feet to the beginning, the same being the eastern end of Lot 5 in Block 113 ,according to the official plan of said City of Wilmington.

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IN days aforetime Santa Claus
His magic way went winging,
The bells upon his reindeer team
Far upward faintly ringing,
But things have grown so up to date
The changes must appall him,
For when the children want him now
THEY ring the bell and call him.

ONE time some little friends of mine
Hit on that way to bring him.
Of course it was a Christmas bell
With which they sought to ring him.
It sure surprised old Santa Claus
And put him in a flurry
To be a bellboy that way, so
He got there in a hurry.

IT may have been the haste with which
Old Santa rushed about so
Or possibly astonishment
That got him all tired out so.
At any rate, he lay right down,
The playthings strewn around him,
To take a nap upon the hearth,
And there the children found him.

"WAKE UP, SANTA!"

"HE'S A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW!"

IT was their turn to be surprised,
Likewise a bit affrighted,
But when he woke and smiled no kids
Were ever more delighted.
They made him tell about his trips
All over girl and boy land;
They made him play and sing a song
About his home in toyland.

THE music held a magic strain
That mingled with his singing,
Like sleighbells on the frosty air
Or Christmas carols ringing.
The little mischiefs danced to it
Till swiftly, without warning,
He vanished through the chimney flue,
For it was Christmas morning.

"GIRL WHO DARED" A SUCCESS

Miss Bessie Burkheimer's Play Delighted Charlotte Audiences—Will Very Likely Be Presented in Wilmington.

Many friends of Miss Bessie Burkheimer in Wilmington, where she formerly resided, will be interested and pleased to know that her latest production, "The Girl Who Dared," a musical comedy, scored a big hit with Charlotte audience Monday and Tuesday nights of this week, and will be glad to learn that it is likely the play will be given in this city with Wimington talent in the several roles, some time during the present season. The Charlotte Observer Tuesday morning had the following to say of the production as presented the night before in that city:

A more delighted audience has not attended a play this season than that which left the Academy of Music last night at the conclusion of Miss Bessie Burkheimer's musical comedy, "The Girl Who Dared." The only sense in which those who did not attend are forutnate is that they yet may enjoy the privilege of seeing it tonight for the first time. A number expressed their intentions of going a second time.

Truth to tell, it was a revelation. From authorship, on through management and stars down to the most minor roles, it was a Charlottean production by local talent." The Girl Who Dared" was composed in one day, a morning and an afternoon being devoted to this. Several weeks ago it was presented to Stonewall Jackson Chapter, United States Daughters of the Confederacy, for purposes of raising money for the Confederate memorial fund. All expenses and something over were cleared last night. It is expected that a tidy sum will be netted by this evening's performance. Veterans of Mecklenburg Camp occupied boxes. Miss Ruth Porter, their mascot, recited with her usual fire and ability.

The play was as many-featured as only a musical comedy can be. The situations were funny. The character work was humorous. The dancing was graceful. The singing was sweet, tuneful and catchy. The costumes were beautiful and the girls were as pretty a lot as could be gathered together in any town on the globe.

Not at all like first nighters did these young ladies and young gentlemen demean themselves. Some of them, in fact, were not new to the footlights or to the histrionic. In addition to writing the play, acting as rehearsal critic and stage manager, Miss Bessie Burkheimer took with high ability the leading feminine role of Virginia Nevil, "The Girl," disguised as "M'selle Genie." She was exceptionally pretty in the handsome gowns in which she appeared last night, and displayed a versatility, temperament, vivacity and ease which made her character one of the successes of the performance.

Right well was she supported by the leading man, Mr. Howard Gerrish, as Lord John Buckingham, an English Duke seeking a fortune. It is impossible to overestimate the enjoyment which his work as the susceptible, good-natured and thoroughly Englishy scion of nobility added to the evening. He was easily one of the most finished actors on the stage. He formerly belonged to a dramatic club in New Orleans, where he had considerable experience.

Mr. James Taylor, who came here from the eastern part of the State, has also played in college dramatic clubs. As Dick Brown, an enterprising space-writer for The New York Herald, he identified himself from the very outset with the galaxy of the more gifted performers.

Another masculine role was that of Jack Guion, a young American in love with Dorothy Rothfield (Miss Ethel Burke). This was taken by Mr. Bruce Q. Nabers of the staff of The Charlotte News. Mr. Nabers entered convincingly into the spirit of all the situations and was as ardent a lover, and as handsome withal, as any maiden could wish.

Mr. Arthur Baldridge, as Pierre, the Duke's valet, and Mr. Robert Griffith, as Joe, the bell-boy, were adequate.

Mrs. M. Cross, as Mrs. Theodore Rothfield, a title-seeking mother, was one of the ablest in the cast. She formerly belonged to a dramatic club in Norfolk, Va. She was very handsome and was a haugthy and aristocratic as any multi-millionaire owner of a Newport "cottage" could be.

Miss Mary Burt as Lady Laura Wellington, aunt and guardian to Virginia, was good, as was Miss Ethel Burke as Miss Dorothy Rothfield, an American heiress. Miss Florence Burkheimer, as the pretty Marie Dupont, maid to Virginia, ably reinforced her sister. Miss Annie McKane as Mlle. Patricia dePompedour, a prima donna, was handsomely gowned, very pretty and sang in excellent voice. One of the hits of the evening was the song "In the City Where No One Cares," by little Miss Emma Jean Wynne, a young lady of eight summers, who sang with clearness, pathos and expression, clad in costume of intentional shabbiness to fit the song.

Take a glance at this array of catchy music and you will understand the treat which is in store for you tonight: "She Sells Sea Shells," "When You Steal a Kiss or Two," by the yachting chorus, "Frivolity Dance," by bataing girls. "Do You Believe in Flirting?" by Virginia and Dick. "Hammock Love Song" by swinging chorus. "I Love You For Keeps" by Virginia and Duke. "Meet Me Tonight in Dreamland," "Dorothy and Jack." "Under the Yum-Yum Tree" by Marie and Pierre. Parasol Dance, by Virginia and the Promenading Girls. "In the City Where No One Cares" by Nell. Finale, ensemble.

Act 2—Opening chorus: "Hello People," by Marie and hotel maids; "I'm Going Crazy," by the Duke and the hobble-skirt girls; "Ideal of My Dreams," by the Duke; "The Glow Worm," by Mlle. de Pompedour, Dorothy and the Duke and evening gown chorus; "Can't You See I Love You?" by Dick and Virginia; rope dance by the rainbow girls, and the finale ensemble.

In the ralm of things spectacular the hobble-skirt chorus was an easy winner. The Duke, a willing captive leads the way, followed by ten pretty girls, gowned in dresses which are the last word in hobble garments, and whose walk is suited to their bark. This idea was entirely original with Miss Burkheimer. The novelty and attractiveness of the spectacle combined with its timeliness, convulsed the audience, which encored repeatedly. The hobble-skirt girls are Misses Loraine Templeton, Adele Henderson, Willie Todd, Mary Butt, Annie Belle Finger, Ruth Link, Helen Colt and Fanny Russell.

Miss May Cross, a dainty and graceful dancer, led the bathing girls, who performed finely. They are Misses Anne Burkheimer, Eugenie Russell, Janie Fetner, Ethel Trotter, Hallie Trotter, Margarite Arnold, Agnes Blanton, Lillian and Nell Norman.

A pretty scene was the swinging chorus. Miss Mattie McNinch, lovely in a gown of white embroidery, sang with accustomed sweetness, sang with Mr. Frank Croxton. The members of the chorus, the girls in swings and the young men pushing the swings were: Misses Annie Todd, Rosa Butt, Nell Gaston, Fanny Russell and Helen Colt; Messrs. Worth Anderson, Ben Wallace, Eugene Pickard, John Martin and Merrill Fetner.

Other popular features were the yachting chorus—Misses Annie and Willie Todd, Rosa and Mary Butt, May Blanton, Florence Hood, Adele Henderson, Helen Colt, Fanny Russell, Ruth Link, Loraine Templeton, Nell Gaston, Georgia Weighfall; Messrs. Worth Anderson, Arthur Baldridge, Alex. Ritch, Merrill Fetner, Fred Porter, John Martin, Eugene Pickard, Ben Wallace, Charlie Russell, Bigham Ell McNinch. Promenading girls—Misses Fannie Russell, Helen Colt, Mary and Rosa Butt, Adele Henderson, Annie Todd, Georgia Weighfall, Annie Belle Finger. Hotel maids—Misses Florence Hood, May Cross, Janie Fetner, Zoe Anderson, Fay Blanton, Margaret Henderson. Evening gown chorus—Misses Rosa Butt, Georgia Weighfall, Nell Gaston, Florence Hood, Annie Todd; Messrs. Ben Wallace, Charlie Russell, Frank Crayton, Fred Porter, Worth Anderson. Rainbow chorus—"Violet," Miss Emma Jean Wynne; "Indigo," Miss Mildred Cross; 'Blue,' Miss Mattie Walker; "Green," Miss Lucile Frazier; "Yellow," Miss Ruth Porter; "Orange," Miss Helen Frazier; "Red," Miss Elizabeth Overcash.

SMUGGLING PLOT DISCOVERED.

Federal Officials in California Ascertain That Thousands of Chinese Have Been Coming to United States.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 10.—The most successful plot ever worked out to circumvent the immigration laws of the United States has just been discovered here by the Federal authorities. The conspiracy by means of which thousands of Chinese coolies have been brought to this country annually over the southern boundary, reaches from San Francisco to Mexico, across the Pacific and into the heart of China, and involves Chinese of high caste and great wealth, according to all the information obtainable. Four arrests have been made and many are in prospect. The Chinese Heads in Hong Kong, who have piled up vast fortunes through the illicit traffic, can not be reached by the law, and the managers in Mexico feel immune.

The contraband Chinese have been procured in the interior of the empire. Ships under the control of the smugglers brought them over, these vessels making a pretense of trading between Hong Kong and Mexico ports. Invariably they were unloaded at Mazatlan, extraordinary precaution being maintained to prevent Americans seeing them. In swarms they were delivered to Ah Lum at Ensenada—always secretly.

The last stopping place of importance on foreign soil has been Mexicali, just across the border from Calexico. The last stage of the journey into the United States was conducted by Wong Chin Dock and Nig Fun, who are now in jail here. They pretended to carry on a general merchandise business. The store was a convenient place for them to receive their consignments of contrabands. Dock is the son of Wong Sai Ying, of this city, a wealthy merchant, and has a fine English education.

Contrary to all expectations and precedent, five coolies who were brought in by the "underground route" have identified Dock as the man who met them when they were delivered on this side by the "chineros." He threatened to give them up as contrabands unless each bound himself to pay him $500 out of future employment. This was an extra hold, and the coolies grasped the opportunity to get revenge.

By a chance arrest a few days ago the authorities discovered the part which the Mexican guides play, and caught two men—Santiago Villa and Jesus Pena— who will be valuable to the Government in the trial of the Chinese. These men had receipts for five coolies they had delivered at Riverside. They were sharply examined, and finally confessed. They pointed to Dock as the Chinese who engaged them. These two Mexicans will also be tried as smugglers.

The crafty Mexican guides deserted the beaten trails of the valleys and passes, and the ignorant coolies they led in crossed high ranges and almost inaccessible places. Officers have been forced to leave their horses when following them, and the chase means terrible trial and hardship.

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EXTREMELY EXTRAVAGENT.

American Women Astonish Eeuropeans by Lavish Expenditure..

American women have astonished all Eeurope the past Summer by their lavish expenditure for jewels and clothing, it is claimed. The Neues Wiener Journal, a Vienna paper which vouches for its story, declares that the lavish outlay of Marie Antionctee grows pale beside the vast sums spent by American women. There are 100 women in New York City, this paper says ,who are know nto spend about $150,000 a year on their personal apparel and adornmetn. This they divided as follows: Forty thousand dollars for ball gowns, $25,000 for eception dresses, $12,000 for cloaks, $15,000 for lingerie, $5000 for shoes and slippers $3,000 for gloves and $70,000 for hats. Jewelry and incidentals use up the balance of that vast sum.

"Almost every American woman," says the paper, "possesses some special taste which she freely indulges. One for instance, rhapsodizes about lace pocket handkerchiefs and has the greatest delight in displaying her collections when she gets back from Europe. She may have searched the great cities of America without finding a handkerchief that takes her fancy ,but in Paris or Vienna she gets just what she wants and pays 300 francs a dozen—and buy 12 dozen. Another woman will make silk stockings her pet fancy, and, holding out a foot incased in a silk cobweb, will say to her friends the hose cost her 4,000 francs a pair, and there are no more to be hand, for the man who wove them has turned blind.

American women, according to this Austrian writer, have millions of dollars worth of diamonds, quite apart from their collections of other gems, and they readily pay $150 for an embroidered night gown and $2,000 for a fine linen tablecloth, to say nothing of $100 for a dozen roses and $2,000 apiece for trees torn from the forest primeval and replanted in the gardens of the fashionables in Newport. They use milk or champagne for their morning baths, itis asserted, and pay enormous wages to servants. Also, birds shot at an American shooting box cost $400 apiece beforet hey are cooked and served. The New York woman, it is said, wraps her lap dog in a coat of real ermine ,and puts around its neck a collar of diamonds. Her husband pays $250 a pair for her walking boots. Furthermore, when the New York women, according to this Vienna paper, is asked if she doesn't think she is just a little bit extravagant she opens her eyes and says: "Why, it is my own money; my husband made it, and why shouldn't I spend it as I like?"

Austrian noblemen read and wonder if an American fortune does not bring more than its share of tribulations.

MAJ. THOS. J. INGRAM DEAD.

Well Known Citien of Anson County —Marriage at Wadesboro.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wadesboro, Dec. 17.—Maj. Thos. J. Ingram died Wednesday night at 1 o'clock at the Rocky River Springs Hotel. Maj. Ingram had been an invalid for several years and had been at the springs since early Summer. He was 83 years old last November. He is survived by one brother, Mr. P. E. Ingram of Concord, and one sister, Mrs. S. P. Waddell, of Ansonville. The funeral was held from the Methodist church of which he was a member for several years.

Miss Emma Rose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Rose, of this place, was married Wednesday to Mr. Wilburn Brown, of Beaufort, S. C. The ceremony was performed at Beaufort where Miss Rose had been for several months manager of the Western Union Telegraph office. Mr. Brown is a large merchant and farmer and his bride is one of Wadesboro's most popular young ladies and has a large circle of friends in this section of the State.

MISSOURI COW BEATS ALL.

Chief Josephine, M. S. U. Holstein, Breaks World's Record.

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 10.—Missouri Chief Josephine, the Holstein cow at the Agricultural College of the University of Missouri, is the world's champion milk producer, and has broken the records made by Colantha Fourth's Johanna of Rosendale, Wis., which formerly held the high mark.

Josephine, at the end of a six months' test, has averaged forty-seven quarts a day, which far excels any previous record. Many cows have produced fifty quarts of milk a day for a week, but none has equalled Josephine's six-months' test.

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DROPPED DEAD IN NORFOLK.

Sudden Death of Citizen Who Was Born Near Wilmington.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Durahm, N. C., Dec. 17.—Mr. Jeremiah, J. Rogers, one of Durham's oldest citizens, dropped dead in Norfolk Thursday afternoon. Mr. Rogers was born and raised near Wilmington, and had resided in Durham for years. He went to Norfolk last May, shortly after the death of his wife, and was engaged in the furniture business in that city. Surviving him are five children, all residing in Durham. The remains were brought here yesterday morning, and the funeral services were conducted from Memorial church.

A rather peculiar case was tried in the Recorder's court here yesterday. Bud Rogers was tried and bound over to the next term of the Superior Court on the charge of selling sausage to the amount of thirty-five cents. This he failed to deliver, and put the money in his pocket, making a case of embezzlement. The charge was brought by the local butcher, Mr. J. W. Hutchins.

Quite a scare has been created in the city because of an epidemic of smallpox which has broken out. There are more than forty cases to date. Some of them are quarantined in the pest house, and others are at their homes. The local board of health has advised vaccination for all who have not been successfully vaccinated in the last three years, though this is not compulsory.

RAID OF BUCKET SHOPS.

Government Will Investigate Capital Investment Company.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—An investigation of the operations of the Capital Investment Company, the alleged bucket shop concern raided by Federal agents Thursday, will be taken up by a Federal grand jury next Monday. This announcement was made at the federal building after the district attorney had arranged to empanel the grand jury before Judge Landis. More warrants for the arrest of corespondents of the Capital Investment Company were issued today.

Sidmon McHie, broker, stock dealer and alleged head of the Capital Investment Company, which was raided yesterday as a bucket shop, was arrested late this afternoon by Deputy U. S. Marshal Wainwright. He was taken before United States Commissioner Foote and furnished $10,000 bail.

Special Agent W. C. Dannenberg led a squad of police into the offices of Murphy & Company, 92 LaSalle street and raided it as a branch of the Capital Investment Company and as a bucket shop.

Books, papers, checks and record sheets were bundled into mail sacks and taken to the Federal building and employes were arrested.

BIG LAND DEAL IN BLADEN.

Wilson Man Purchases Between Forty and Fifty Thousand Acres.

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 16.—Mr. N. F. Eure, of this city, has recently purchased the Black Lake property in Southeastern Bladen county, consisting of forty to fifty thousand acres of very desirable timber and other land. The lake itself from which this property takes its name, covers an area of fivet housand acres and is noted for its fine fishing. Associated with Mr. Eure in this deal are Mr. W. R. Owen, millionaire banker of Baltimore, and Prof. Hawley Smith, president of the Baltimore Dental College, both of reputation as national sportmen. It is intended to establish a hunting preserve of about thirty-five thousand acres for use of Northern sportmen, the remainder to be operated by Mr. Eure as timber land.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 14.—Sales of 340,000 pounds of tobacco today broke the season's record of 300,000 pounds, which was hung up in the tobacco exchange yesterday. This was all "wagon trade," from the counties within driving distance. Tomorrow's great quantity of freight car consignments will be sold.

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ART CRITICISM.

A Story a Painter Told About the Artist Constable.

A well known New York painter told at a luncheon a story about art criticism.

"All art criticism is tolerable," he said, "except that which is insincere. The great Constable at a varnishing day at the Royal academy paused before A's picture and said:

"'Very good, especially the sky. The sky is superb.'

"Then he passed on to B and said:

"'A's picture is very bad. Go look at it. The sky is like putty.'

"So B went and looked and then exclaimed as if to himself:

"'Why, I like the sky!'

"'Well,' cried A, the painter of the picture, 'why shouldn't you like my sky?'

"'But Constable said it was like putty,' B explained confusedly.

"So A in a furious rage strode up to Constable and shouted:

"'Constable, you're a humbug. I never asked for your opinion about my picture, yet you came to me and praised it. You said that especially you liked my sky. Then at once you go off and tell some one else that my sky is like putty.'

"Constable listened, with a smile. He was not at all confused.

"'My dear fellow, you don't understand,' he said; 'I like putty.'"—Los Angeles Times.

A Fresh Start.

A girl came in and sat in front of them at the play, she and her escort. "What a lovely profile!" said he. "Beautiful! Delicate little upturned nose, small mouth, deep, pretty eyes! Isn't she beautiful—beautiful?"

"Beautiful," said she, "but not half so much so as the man she is with. Isn't he the handsomest chap you ever saw? Look at his color, his mustache, his lovely head of hair. So many men are bald or beginning to be bald. I do love to see a fine head of hair on a man."

"You know," he whimpered, "it always makes me sore to speak of people beginning to be bald, and you know why."

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AMUSEMENTS

Academy. Bijou. Joyland. Palace.

The feature for things theatrical in Wilmington this week will be the return of one of the big favorites, Mr. Paul Gilmore, who will be seen at he Academy Tuesday night in one of the late Clyde Fitch's greatest comedy successes, "The Bachelor." The production will be most elaborately made, as Mr. Gilmore this season is under the Shubert management, the same engagement as presented Jefferson DeAngelis, "The Girl Behind the Counter" and "The Midnight Sons" here this season. Seats for Mr. Gilmore's appearance will go on sale at Plummer's tomorrow morning, the scale of prices being as usual.

MR. PAUL GILMORE.

"The Bachelor."

"The Bachelor," which is the name of Clyde Fitch's latest and most charming comedy, will be seen here for the first time Tuesday.

"The Bachelor" was first produced at the Maxine Elliott theatre in New York last Spring, and, with the exception of Chicago, has not been seen outside of the metropolis. The original cast, headed by Mr. Paul Gilmore is assured.

In "The Bachelor," Mr. Gilmore who is a well known actor takes the part of a man who has no use for matrimony. His stenographer, working under an assumed name, falls in love with her employer but he is unaware of the fact until the "mock heroics" of her kid brother upset their well-laid plans. For the bachelor, feeling that perhaps he is to blame for the few attentions he has shown her, offers himself a victim upon the altar of matrimony.

The second act brings the bachelor to the home of the typewritter, she comes prepared to ask the mother for her hand. Meantime, however, the stenographer has learned of the hand her brother has had in forcing the propsal ,so that when the bachelor calls, she indignantly releases him.

One of the characters that evokes much laughter is that of a Swedish housemaid whose latest is: "The Bachelor" is like a Manhattan cocktail ,because the comedy itself has all the elements of a cocktail. The play must be considered a companion piece to "Girls" which made such a pronounced hit.

Get a pair of felt slippers for your Christmas present. Peterson & Rulfs.

REGULATION OF COLD STORAGE.

For some time it has been considered that the method of cold storage in the United States, and especially the huge cold storage systems of great commercial establishments, have had a great deal to do with the high cost of living, and consequently a popular demand has arisen for some sort of governmental regulation. We don't know exactly what pretext will be used to have the cold storage question considered by either Congress or the legislatures of the States, but considerable pressure is being brought to bear in that direction. However, the movement is encountering many difficulties owing to the community of interests between the investors in cold storage plants and the producers of food stuffs.

It is said the cold storage plants throughout the country, in order to fight legislation have succeeded in enlisting on their side the support of the farmers on the ground that they have mutual interests to protect. The cold storage system has grown to enormous proportions in this country without any kind of National or State legislation to regulate them. There is a large sentiment that there should be some kind of laws of a protective and restrictive character, especially in the matter of food supplies kept for long periods in cold storage. It is quite likely that among the grounds for regulation of cold storage will be the question of State and interstate health.

It is estimated that there are in the United States at the present time abou 1,000 cold storage plants with a capacity of 180,000,000 cubic feet, and that last year the value of meats placed in cold storage by packers was $1,500,000,000; dairy products, $30,000,000; fish, $30,000,000; eggs, $21,000,000; poultry, $40,000,000; apples, $15,000,000 and other fruits and vegetables, $40,000,000.

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SHOT WHILE HUNTING.

Young Frank Fletcher, of Pasquotank, Shot in His Face.

(Raleigh News and Observer.)

Elizabeth City, N. C., Dec. 16.—While quail hunting this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Frank Fletcher, a young married man, and son of Mack R. Fletcher, a prominent farmer of Pasquotank county, was accidentally shot. He will lose both eyes and his face will be badly disfigured for life if he survives. Fletcher was gunning with four companions, about six miles from town, and four miles distant from his home. When they were divided by a swamp, Fletcher received the entire load of shot in his face. He was carried to a house near by, and Dr. O. McMullen, of this city, was summoned. The wounded man was brought here and is at his grand mother's, Mrs. William Cartwright, tonight. Saturday morning he will be carried to St. Vincent's Hospital in Norfolk. The names of his companion hunters are not known, although it is reported that either Mr. Coppersmith or Mr. Simons fired the shot.

Cherbourg, Dec. 14.—An explosion occurred today in the coal bunkers of the United States battleship North Dakota. A seaman named Evans was terribly burned and died soon after receiving his injuries.

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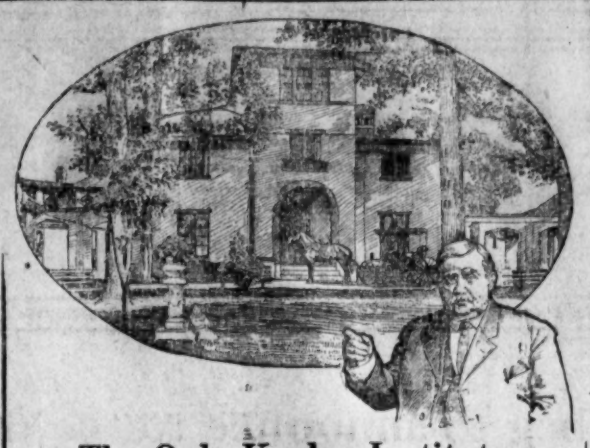

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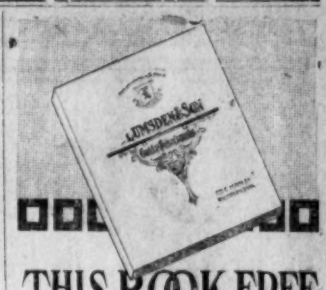

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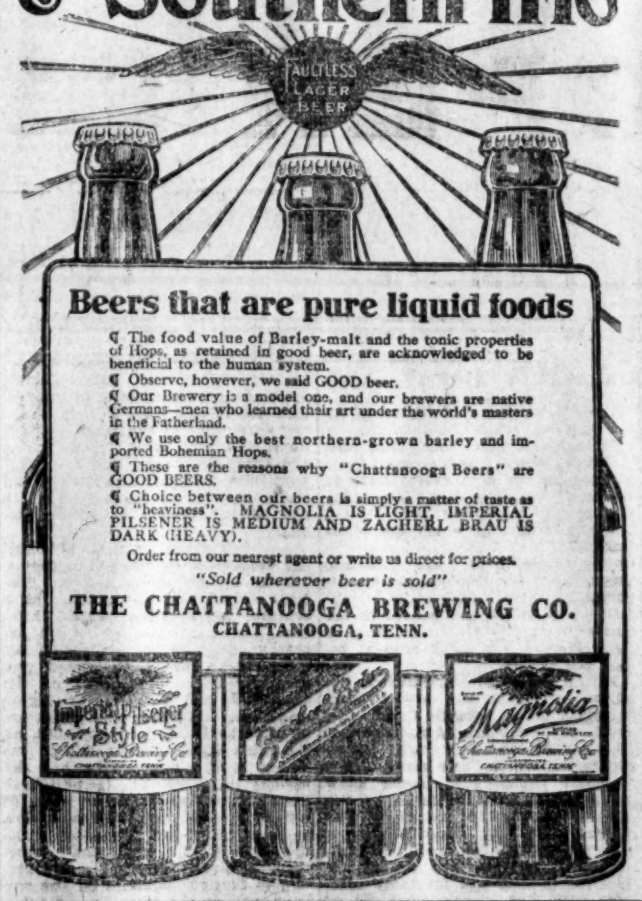

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Fair Dealing Accounts for Success of Great System.

(Richmond Virginian, Nov. 16.)

The report of the Atlantic Coast Coast Line Railway, showing net income for the year of nearly $7,000,000 and firmly establishing the stock on a six per cent. basis is particularly gratifying as showning the success of what is a distinctively Southern syhtem.

The Atlantic Coast Line throughout its career, adopted a policy which shines by contrast with the history of other learge systems. It has been built up, link by link, road by road, with constant regard for initial stockholders. There has never been a period when the investors in Coast Line securities have been "shaken out" for the sake of organization. The hand of the railroad "wrecker" has never been visible in its financial history. Its success has been bought at no expense of failure and losses to the public by which it was financed. Many a modest holder of stock in the original enterprise is now in comfortable circumstances as the result of a policy as beneficial as, unfortunately, it is strange.

Whatever may be said of the policy of railroad "systems," of the absorption of competing lines, of the necessity for stricter regulation by law, these problems incidental to great enterprise cannot take from the A. C. L. the proud record of its fair dealing with its friends and stockholders. Had other great systems been as free from scandal and double dealing, the agitation looking to the settlement of the problems arising from the relationships of railroads and public had been spared a deal of bitterness with which its progress has been marked.

Saved From Awful Death.

How an appalling calamity in his family was prevented is told by A. D. McDonald, of Fayetteville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 8. "My sister had consumption," he writes, "she was very thin and pale, had no appetite and seemed to grow weaker every day, as all remedies failed, till Dr. King's New Discovery was tried, and so completely cured her, that she has not been troubled with a cough since. It's the best medicine I ever sa wor heard of." For coughs, colds, la grippe, asthma, croup, hemorrhages, all bronchial troubles, it has no equal, 50c, $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Robt. R. Bellamy.

TRINITY COLLEGE ITEMS.

Interesting Lectures Before Science Club—Progress of Y. M. C.A.

Trinity College, Durham, N. C., Dec. 17.—At the regular meeting of the Trinity College Science Club, a fine paper was read by Prof. J. J. Wolfe, on the "Sandbanks of Beaufort." The lecture was illustrated by numerous lanter slides prepared by Dr. Wolfe during his stay in Beaufort last Summer. He discussed in a very interesting manner the extreme eastern section of the State especially the intricate system of sandbars which lie off the mouth of the principal rivers, and skirt the coast of North Carolina.

Another paper was by Mr. H. L. Taylor, who discussed the difference between the malarial and the common mosquito. He brought out a short life history of both the harmless and the disease-bringing insect, and showed the radical difference between them. This was one of the the most interesting as well as instructive meetings that the Science Club has had in some time.

The Y. M. C. A. is in exceptionally fine shape at this time. The present membership is the largest in its history, there being more than 190 members. Reports from the various committees show that there are about 90 men in the Bible Study Class, and in the mission study class there are three volunteers, who have volunteered to give their lives in the mission fields in the service of the Lord.

Announcement has been made by the college office that after the holidays classes will be held in the new academic building. This arrangement will throw vacant a number of rooms in the old Washington Duke Building which have heretofore been used as classrooms. Work on the new dormitory will begin at once.

You Must Read This if You Want the Benefit.

J. W. Greer, Greenwood, La., suffered with a severe case of lumbago, "The pains were so intense I was forced to hypodermic injections for relief. These started with a pain in the small of my back, which gradually became fairly paralyzing. My attention was attracted to Foley's Kidney Remedy and I am glad to say after using tais wonderful medicine I am no longer bothered in any way by my old enemy, lumbago." Robt. R. Bellamy.

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Sealed proposals for paving Front Street from Dawson Street to Wright Street, Wright Street from Third Street to Sixth Street, and Sixth Street from Wright street to Dawson street, for the City of Wilmington, N. C., will be received by the Board of Aldermen at the Mayor's office up to noon, December 22nd, 1910, and at that time they will be opened and publicly read, addressed to Capt. Walter G. MacRae, Mayor, and endorsed "Proposals for Paving Streets."

The work or which proposals are invited consists approximately of 4,263 square yards of macadam pavement.

Each proposal must be accompanied with a certified check of five per cent. (5) of the contract price and made payable to the Board of Aldermen of Wilmington, N. C.

Specifications and blank forms of proposals can be obtained by application to the City Engineer, and profile may be seen at his office.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

WALTER G. MacRAE.
Mayor.

C. R. HUMPHREYS,
City Engineer.
no. 17-th-su-tu-to-de 22.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by William A. Jordan and wife, Mary, to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, registered in Book 52, page 354, et seq., the undersigned will sell, to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, on Thursday, the 22nd of December, 1910, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., at twelve o'clock, M., the following property in said City, to-wit: A lot beginning in the Western line of Twelfth Street, 66 feet North of Northern line of Orange street; runs Northwardly along said line of Twelfth Street 33 feet; thence West parallel with Orange Street 150 feet; thence South and along an alley 33 feet; thence Eastwardly in a straight line 150 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 6, Block 149.

WILMINGTON HOMESTEAD & LOAN ASSOCIATION.
By John D. Bellamy & Son, Attorneys.
Nov. 22-1m.

U. S. Engineer Office, Wilmington, N. C., November 21, 1910. Sealed proposals for constructing fender piers for highway bridge over Core Creek, near Beaufort, N. C., will be received at this office until 12 M., December 21, 1910, and then publicly opened. Information on application. Earl J. Brown, Capt., Engrs.
nov. 20-dt-20-22-23-24-Dec. 19-20.

Cooper Guano Company

We beg to announce to the trade of North and South Carolina that The Cooper Guano Company for the manufacture and sale of Fertilizers, has been incorporated, brands are registered, and is now ready for business. We will have everything manufactured in ammoniated goods from an 8-2-2 to an 8-5-7; Fertilizers suitable for cotton, corn, tobacco, truck, and in fact all crops; and will have at all times nothing but high grade acid phosphate, high grade muriate and sulphate of potash and high grade nitrate of soda.

Agencies Wanted in Every Town

Satisfaction guaranteed. Prices right. Correspondence solicited.

COOPER GUANO COMPANY

WILMINGTON, N. C.

W. B. COOPER, President. I. W. COOPER, Vice President. W. R. SURLES, Secretary.

PROGRESS THROUGHOUT SOUTH

(Continued From Page 9.)

construction of a washing plant with a probable daily capacity of 4,500 tons of coal and to cost about $100,000.

Southwestern Refining Co., Big Heart, Okla., was incorporated with $100,000 capital and is constructing its refinery, to have a daily capacity of 200 barrels of oil.

Columbia Tile Co., Grafton, W. Va., was incorporated with $150,000 capital stock to manufacture tiling.

Thermal Coal Co., Clarksburg, W. Va., was incorporated with $50,000 capital stock.

Sayre Mining & Manufacturing Co., Birmingham, Ala., will issue bonds for $250,000 to provide for betterments.

Fine Arts Gingham Manufacturing Co., Meadow Summit, N. C., was organized to build a mill of 10,000 spindles and 400 looms.

R. A. Patterson Tobacco Co., Richmond, Va., plans building a factory with an annual capacity of 30,000,000 pounds of tobacco and is understood to contemplate an expenditure of $1,000,000.

THE THIN AND WEAK.

Easy Way for Them to Get Strong and Fat.

To thin and weak J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co., has a word to say. Let them use Samose, the wonderful flesh-forming food, that is now so popular, and they will soon be plump and rosy.

Samose is not an ordinary medicine; it is a flesh forming food that is adapted to the most delicate. Its tonic effect gives strength and health so that after its use for a short time, all the flesh and fat producing elements in the food will be easily assimilated and retained by the body.

The large sale Druggists J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co., has had on Samose since they first introduced it in Wilmington and the wonderful results following its use have made them such enthusiastic believers in its great merits, that they give their personal guarantee to refund the money if Samose does not make thin people fat and restore strength and health.

There may be one or two out of every hundred who begin the use of Samose who are not helped as they expect. In all these cases Druggists J. Hicks Bunting & Co., will return the money without any questions.

Newport, Ky., Dec. 14.—William Cleburne, who surveyed the original route for the Union Pacific Railroad through the wilds of the Far West, died here today aged 66 years. He was a brother of General Patrick Cleburne, a noted Confederate officer.

Malaria Causes Loss of Appetite.

The Old Standard GROVES TASTELESS CHILL TONIC drives out malaria and builds up the system. For grown people and children, 50c.

INCREASE OF FREIGHT RATES.

Railroader's View of Criticism of Atlantic Coast Line's Increase.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 17th, 1910.

Editor Star:—I notice in the exchange column of a recent issue of the Star, an editorial quotation from one of the newspapers of Western North Carolina, in which the editor criticises the circular letter gotten up by employes of the Atlantic Coast Line, for the purpose of discouraging further anti-railroad legislation, and which was placed in the hands of a United States Senator from Florida, and later brought before the Senate.

In the course of his criticism, the editor reverts to the large gross earnings of the Atlantic Coast Line, as shown by the annual statement of its directors, and very curtly makes the inquiry as to "how many of the employes signing the circular knew of the large earnings made by the company during the past year?" The editor referred to seems to place a very low rating upon the intelligence of the average railway employee—intelligence that will favorably compare with that of any other set of men similarly employed—and his remarks as a whole seem to be influenced, either by perverse ignorance of the matter he pretends to discuss, or by force of the habit of criticising everything concerning railway corporations, a habit usually acquired by newspapers least acquainted with the facts and existing conditions.

I chance to be an employe of the railway in question, and happen to be among the large number of employes who signed the circular, having done so of my own volition, with a full knowledge of the facts and conditions involved, and without suggestion, encouragement, or coercion from those under whom I am employed. The circular gotten out by the employes was not for the purpose of unfairly influencing legislation in behalf of the railroads, but was for the purpose of discouraging, as far as possible, the unfair rate legislation, suggested from time to time, at which, if placed upon the statute books, will not only work a permanent injury to the railways, and to those employed by them, but will work a detriment to the advancement of the communities and business enterprises depending upon them as common carriers.

It is admitted on all hands, quoting common railroad parlance, that there are "low joints" in railway management and operation, just as there are in all other undertakings within the scope of human endeavor, but it is likewise a fact that the railroads, taken either from the view point as common carriers, or as employers, compare very favorably with all other business enterprises, both as to their management, and as to square dealings with their patrons, and with the communities through which they traverse. It is an unquestionable fact, though seemingly unknown to some people, that the railroads are as good wage payers as any of the large corporations, and that their management and operation require, and are using, men with as much competency and brain capacity as are met with in any of the various enterprises today.

Any fair-minded man will admit the wonderful improvements accomplished by our great railway systems during the last quarter of a century, improvements which have been accomplished in the face of incessant demands by the public for great speed, better equipment and generally improved services on the one hand, and demands for higher wages for employes, and reduction of rates by legislative enactment, on the other hand. Almost daily we notice in the newspapers that the various little railway towns—those handling two or three car loads of freight a week and, perhaps, a dozen passengers—are demanding that the corporation commission have them furnished with the proverbial "Union Station" facilities on the one hand, and on the other, freight rates on a basis compared with that furnished the larger cities handling several hundred cars of freight weekly.

Whatever may be the impression from some quarters, it is a fact that no community can accomplish much business advancement in the absence of railway facilities, and one may invariably get a good impression of the business done by any city from the railway advantages enjoyed by its business enterprises. While these are the facts, it is likewise true that the railways are depending upon patronage from business concerns, in order to keep abreast of the times—in fact there is a community of interests of the greatest importance existing between the railroads and the business community as a whole, and the sooner we become alive to this fact, the better it will be for all concerned.

In my humble opinion, it is just and proper that the railroads should be fairly compensated for their services as carriers, and that they should be required to furnish the general public with facilities commensurate with present day advancement.

Your truly,
W. J. JONES.

Banks on Sure Thing Now.

"I'll never be without Dr. King's New Life Pills again," writes A. Schingeck, 647 Elm street, Buffalo, N. Y. "They cured me of chronic constipation when all others failed." Unequaled for biliousness, jaundice, indigestion, headache, chills, malaria and debility. 25c at Robt. R. Bellamy's.

A cent for every seal and a seal for every cent

Buy Red Cross Stamps.

INDIANS DO NOT WANT TO VOTE.

Hopis Entitled to Suffrage, Does Not Worry Them.

(New York American.)

Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 10.—The Hopi Indians, who number about 2,000 souls, inhabit eight villages in the Painted desert of Arizona, that strange, luminous wilderness placed on the giant canvas of the earth by some weird colorist in the school of nature—some mad impressionist of garish suns and glaring sands, rose skies and rainbow rocks. These villages are situated from 80 to 100 miles from the nearest railroad point. All are located on the summits of mesas that rise precipitously to a height of 100 feet or more above the plain.

Owing to their isolation and their distance from the beaten paths of travel, as well as to the conservative nature of the people, primitive customs, ceremonies and ways of living survive to a greater extent in the Hopi towns than in any other Indian community of the West. The Hopis, in fact, constitute an anachronism, and for many reasons than the unique position of the women, whose domination over the men is peculiar, to say the least, may be regarded as among the most interesting and remarkable of American tribes.

It is a fact not generally known that the Hopi Indians, with all other Pueblo tribes of New Mexico and Arizona, are full fledged citizens of the United States. The terms of the treaty of Guadaloupe-Hidalgo that terminated the war with Mexico, guaranteed full rights of citizenship to all inhabitants of the ceded territory who had been citizens of Mexico. The Supreme Court of the United States has decided that the Pueblos were citizens of Mexico prior to the consummation of the treaty, and consequently they are now citizens of the United States.

With Arizona a State, therefore, the little Hopi men are entitled to vote for President, to run for Congress and to exercise full rights of suffrage. It is not at all likely that any such rights will be claimed or exercised for decades of centuries to come. The Hopis are as indifferent to American politics as they are to the events that transpire on another planet. If the government at Washington and the whole white population of America were wiped out of existence over night so important an event would hardly be noticed by these self-sufficing people.

Wants to Help Some One.

For thirty years J. F. Boyer, of Fertile, Mo., needed help and couldn't find it. That's why he wants to help some one now. Suffering so long himself he feels for all distress from backache, nervousness, loss of appetite, lassitude and kidney disorders. He shows that Electric Bitters work wonders for such troubles. "Five bottles," he writes, "wholly cured me and now I am well and hearty." It's also positively guaranteed for liver trouble. Dyspepsia, blood disorders, female complaints and malaria. Try them. 50c at Robt. R. Bellamy's.

Telegrams and Cablegrams May be Sent by Telephone

ANOTHER STEP FORWARD

THE TELEPHONE AGAIN SUPPLEMENTS THE TELEGRAPH

At night, on Sundays, or on holidays, when your local Western Union office is closed, or if there is no Western Union office in your town, you may send a telegram or cablegram to any part of the world, even to ships at sea, by forwarding it by Long Distance Bell Telephone to the nearest "all night" telegraph office, and by paying the usual telephone toll charge.

To do this simply call "Telegram". The operator will connect you with "Long Distance" who will give you the telephone charge. If you are a Bell telephone subscriber the cost of both the telegraph and telephone messages may be charged to you, or to the addressee.

Telegrams addressed to you will be read to you over the Long Distance telephone by the Western Union company when your local telegraph office is closed, or if there is no Western Union office in your town, if you will pay the telephone toll from the nearest all night telegraph office.

This charge will be small since a number of additional "all night" telegraph offices have been opened to care for this service.

The telephone company, however, undertakes only to place the subscriber in communication with the telegraph office—it assumes no responsibility for errors in transmission.

TO TRANSMIT TELEGRAMS BY TELEPHONE SAY "TELEGRAM".

Are you a Bell Telephone Subscriber?

SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY

NOW FOR HOLIDAY RUSH

Only One More Week and the Glorious Christmas Season Will be Here—Some Observations Relative to Mail.

Christmas is rapidly approaching and all Wilmington, to all appearances ,is making great preparations for the festival season, which makes its advent Sunday morning, just one week from today—a very short time indeed to the grown ups, but an age to the children who are looking forward with eager anticipation to the annual visit of Santa Claus. The present week will, therefore, be the busiest of the year in Wilmington not only in the stores, but at the postoffice and at the office of the Southern Express Company, and, in fact, nearly everybody will have a share in the invariable rush for the week preceding Christmas Day.

Shoppers have been very much in evidence the past week and many purchases were made. However, the grand and final rush will come this week and the merchants have made preparations to handle the crowds. A great many people have followed the oft repeated advice "Shop early and avoid the rush," but as is invariably the rule, many will doubtless discover at the eleventh hour that some friend or loved one has been overlooked in the early visits down town. Many others, however, have made only a few purchases, it being their rule never to buy the bulk of their holiday goods until the last week preceding Christmas. Therefore ,the merchants can reasonably expect a busy week and their provision for extra salespeople has been wisely made.

There is no greater activity anywhere during the week preceding Christmas than at the postoffice and perhaps no class of people are harder worked than the postoffice clerks and the letter carriers. The railway postal clerks also have their share in general activity. Thousands , and thousands of packages have to be handled in addition to the regular run of mail, which is always heavy, and the wonder is that there are no packages lost or badly delayed during this season. Postmasters everywhere urge upon the people the importance of posting their packages early and properly in order to insure the prompt delivery, but somehow people are slow to realize the necessity of following these suggestions. By posting packages early one not only relieves the congested condition in the local office and thereby greatly fecilitating the handling of the mails, but relieves to an extent the railway postal clerks and the clerks in the office to which the packages are addressed. Should this rule be generally observed every package sent to a friend in a distant city or country would arrive on time, in much better condition perhaps, and the postoffice employes would be in better shape, physically, mentally, to enjoy the festival season. Postmaster Thos. E. Wallace, of the Wilmington office, urges that the people of this city post their packages as early as possible this week. An extra force of letter carriers is usually given the larger towns during this season, but it must be remembered that they work under a disadvantage in not being thoroughly familiar with the routes, etc., and therefore they can not make the time of the experienced carriers and besides the time of clerks is often taken up to a large degree in aiding them in properly routing the packages. The carriers are not allowed to work over a certain number of hours a day and this must also be taken into consideration. Postmaster Wallace makes the following observations which those contemplating mailing Christmas packages would do well to note:

"When Christmas seals or non-postage adhesive stamps are attached to packages or merchandise, such seals or stamps should be placed so that it will not cause the package to be sealed against inspection.

"In attaching 'Christmas' or other non-postage stamps or labels to articles to foreign countries, such stamps must be placed on reverse and not the address side of the articles, otherwise the article will be returned to the sender, if name of sender appears on such package ,and if not, the package will be sent to the Dead Letter office.

"To preclude delay in handling articles for foreign countries, the cover of such articles should bear the name and address of the sender.

"Valuable articles should be registered, which, if sent at first-class rate sealed, insures them to value of the indemnity offered by the government if lost, up to $50.

"Stamps for registered packages should be bought at the regular stamp window and sender should state WHEN PACKAGE IS WEIGHED, if it is desired that package be registered, before taking the package to registry department.

"Patrons of the postoffice should mail packages in ample time before the holidays to insure their delivery before Christmas.

"Be careful to have all packages properly addressed before mailing. Each year there are numbers of packages dropped in the postoffice without any address, or anything to indicate by whom the package is sent. The name of sender as well as addressee should appear on the package. All parcels should be securely wrapped and tied before mailing.

"Packages for registered mail should be brought to registry department early in the day if it is desired that such packages be dispatched the same day mailed. If return receipt for registered articles is desired the article should be endorsed 'Return receipt requested'."

The Money Order department during the immediate holidays will be in Postmaster Wallace's office, so that the room now occupied by the money Order and registry departments may be used exclusively by the latter department. There will be a clerk convenient to the stamp window for the purpose of weighing packages, and he should be notified whether or not the package is to be sent by registered mail.

Three additional letter carriers will be employed in this city during the holiday rush. The patrons of the office generally can lend considerable assistance to the postoffice if they would request their correspondents to address their mail either to box number or their residence with street. This will facilitate the handling of the mail, as the local office has the advantage of having the mail distributed for the boxes and carriers by the railway postal clerks on the trains.

LATE MR. N. J. THOMPSON.

Prominent Robeson County Citizen Who Passed Away Last Monday.

Referring to the death of Mr. N. J. Thompson who passed away at Lumberton last Monday, the Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligenceer says:

"The death of Mr. Thompson recalls most vividly the troublesome days in Robeson when the celebrated Henry Berry Lowrie gang of outlaws terrorized that entire section. On one occasion Mr. Thompson was appointed a special officer to arrest Lowrie. At the head of a posse of several men he found the famous outlaw at a whiskey wagon, which was going through the country, and made the arrest. While on the way to the jail at Lumberton Lowrie made overtures to his captor to allow him to escape, but Mr. Thompson refused to listen to the proposal, although substantial inducements were held out to him. Lowrie was rescued from jail by his associates in a short time and so enraged was he at Mr. Thompson for arresting him and refusing to accept a bribe for his release that he swore a mighty oath that he would be revenged upon him. The threats of the outlaw came to the ears of Mr. Thompson's friends and they advised him to leave the country. He went to Florence county, S. C., and stayed until Lowrie either died or disappeared, when he returned to Robeson, soon after which he moved to Morven, this county."

(Raleigh News and Observer, December 15th.)

The sympathies of the press go out to Mr. Joseph E. Thompson, managing editor of the Wilmington Star, in the sudden death of his father, Mr. N. J. Thompson, an esteemed citizen of Lumberton. He left the heritage of a good and useful life to his children and to his community.

(Wilmington Dispatch, Dec. 13.)

We extend condolences to Mr. Jos. E. Thompson, managing editor of the Morning Star, in the death of his beloved father, and also our deep sympathy, direct from our heart, vividly realizing that "sympathy is born of a like feeling." The heart of the entire community will also throb in sadness for him in his dark hour, because there is no man in Wilmington more highly esteemed or more popular than the managing editor of The Star. It is natural to feel that his folks are our folks.

MR. McINTOSH PROMOTED.

Appointed Manager for North Carolina of Life Insurance Co.

The Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, has appointed Mr. Milton McIntosh, of this city, who has the supervision of the company's Wilmington district for the past few years, to be manager for the whole State of North Carolina, to succeed Mr. E. R. Ferguson, of Charlotte, who has been transferred to Cincinnati. Mr. McIntosh will reside in Charlotte, where is located the chief office of the company in North Carolina, and will leave one day this week to assume his new duties.

With one exception the North Carolina Agency is the largest agency of the company in the Southern division, which extends from Maryland to Texas, inclusive. The Mutual Life Insurance Company is one of the largest financial institutions in the world; its assets on December 31st, 1909, having been more than $560,000,000, and at the close of 1910 they approach $600,000,000. On December 31st, 1909, the company had in force in North Carolina more than $14000,000 of insurance, distributed on the lives of over 6,000 citizens of the State. The premiums upon this business are paid to the Charlotte office. These facts are recited for the purpose of conveying some idea of the importance of the position to which Mr. McIntosh has been promoted. He has many friends in Wilmington who will regret to learn of his removal to another city, but will congratulate him upon his deserved promotion and wish for him the full measure of success.

FUNERAL OF MRS. GREENBERG.

Services from the Late Residence Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral services of Mrs. Emma L. Greenberg, whose sad death occurred Friday afternoon, was held from the residence of her father, Capt. Geo. W. Smith, No. 615 South Second street, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and sympathizing friends. Following the services at the house the body was tenderly borne to Bellevue cemetery, where the interment took place. The pallbearers were Messrs. Frank Brattain, Carl T. Miller, Thomas Walker and L. L. Brinson.

Funeral of Mrs. Williams.

The funeral of Mrs. Corinne Morehead Williams, wife of Capt. J. R. Williams, who passed away late Friday night, was held from the family residence, No. 210 Chesnut street, at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A large number of friends and relatives were present to pay a last sad tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased. The body was taken on the evening train to Raleigh, where the interment will take place today.

Y. M. C. A. BASKETBALL.

Two Splendid Contests Witnessed by Large Crowd Last Night.

The regular Saturday night games of basketball attracted a large crowd of young men and boys to the Y. M. C. A. last night to witness two fast contests, the first being between the teams in the Junior Baraca Class of Grace Methodist Church, in which the night class had the better of the day boys by six points. Farrar, center for the night class, was the star of the game and showed many times the making of a fine basketball player with training. N. Davis and Lewis also starred as did Smith and Boone for the day boys. The final score was 15 to 9.

The second game between the Pirates and the Athletics was as pretty an exhibition of basketball as one could wish to see and was fast from the start. Captain Hanson's long experience at the game made him easily the star for his team while Murphy, guard, for the Pirates, practically won the game for his team by his excellent goal throwing, the score being 21 to 19 in favor of the Pirates. The game was continued after time was called for the second half on account of a tie score and Murphy finished the game with a hard goal from the field.

The line-up of the two teams was as follows: Pirates, Murphy and Boone, guards; Whitted, center; Fillyaw, (captain) and Strauss, forwards. Athletics, Miller and Delamar, guards; Little, center; Hanson, (captain) and Lewis, forwards. Mr. Chas. Dushan was referee and Mr. J. B. Huntington was scorer.

PLANS BIG CELEBRATION.

Formal Opening of First Link on Great Waterways Project.

The Star acknowledges with thanks an invitation from Mr. G. D. Canfield, general chairman, to attend the celebration of the formal opening of the inland waterway from Pamlico Sound to Beaufort, which will be held on the banks of the waterway January 6th, 1911. This is the first link in the intra-coastal waterways project and its completion means much to Eastern Carolina. The celebration of the formal opening of the waterway is planned on an elaborate scale and there will be in attendance a number of Congressmen, Senators, the Governor and other prominent men of the State. Quite a number from Wilmington will probably attend.

Juniors Will Distribute Baskets.

Committees have been appointed by George Washington and Jeff Davis Councils, Jr., O. U. A. M., to prepare and distribute at Christmas well-laden hampers and turkeys to the families of deceased members of the councils, in accordance with their annual custom. In addition to this, the councils will lend material assistance to the Salvation Army in its efforts to provide a well filled basket for every deserving poor family in the city.

Xmas Presents

Nothing better to give the boy or girl than one of our Savings Bank Books with $1.00 or more to his or her credit.

We always have on hand plenty of gold in all denominations. Make use of our service.

THE PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK

That Big White Building
Cor. Front & Princess Sts.

de 7-tf.

New Gold Coins for Xmas

In accordance with our custom for the past ten years, we have received direct from the Philadelphia mint a full supply of brand new gold coins for the needs of our friends and patrons desiring to use them for Xmas remembrances. Denominations of $2.50, $5.00 and $10.00 on hand. We shsll take pleasure in supplying your needs.

Pass books in attractive holiday envelopes issued upon request.

THE

Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.

110 N. Front Street.

de 6-tf.

AT JOYLAND.

The feature him at Joyland, the popular little theatre, for Monday, will be "The City of Her Dreams." The picture is a high class drama and is manufactured by the Thanhous Film Company, which name stands for quality. The next will be a big comedy, "The Third Degree.". The Programme changes daily.

New furs on display Monday at C. H. Fore & Co.

—Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: B. G. Empie and wife to Mattie A. Roderick, for $500, lot on west side of Third, 132 feet north of Marstellez street, 66x150 feet in size; Lucy McE. Bagg and husband to May H. Cook, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south side of Dock, 69 1-2 feet west of Ninth, 33x99 feet in size.

C. H. Fore & Co. will have new neckwear on display Monday.

The American National Bank

210 North Front Street, Wilmington, N. C.

OUR OFFICERS

W. B. COOPER . . . . . President
GEO. O. GAYLORD . . Vice President
THOS. E. COOPER . . . . Cashier
W. H. SMITH . . . Assistant Cashier

Pay your bills by CHECK the simplest and most convenient method. No account too large or too small for us to handle. All business held in strict confidence.

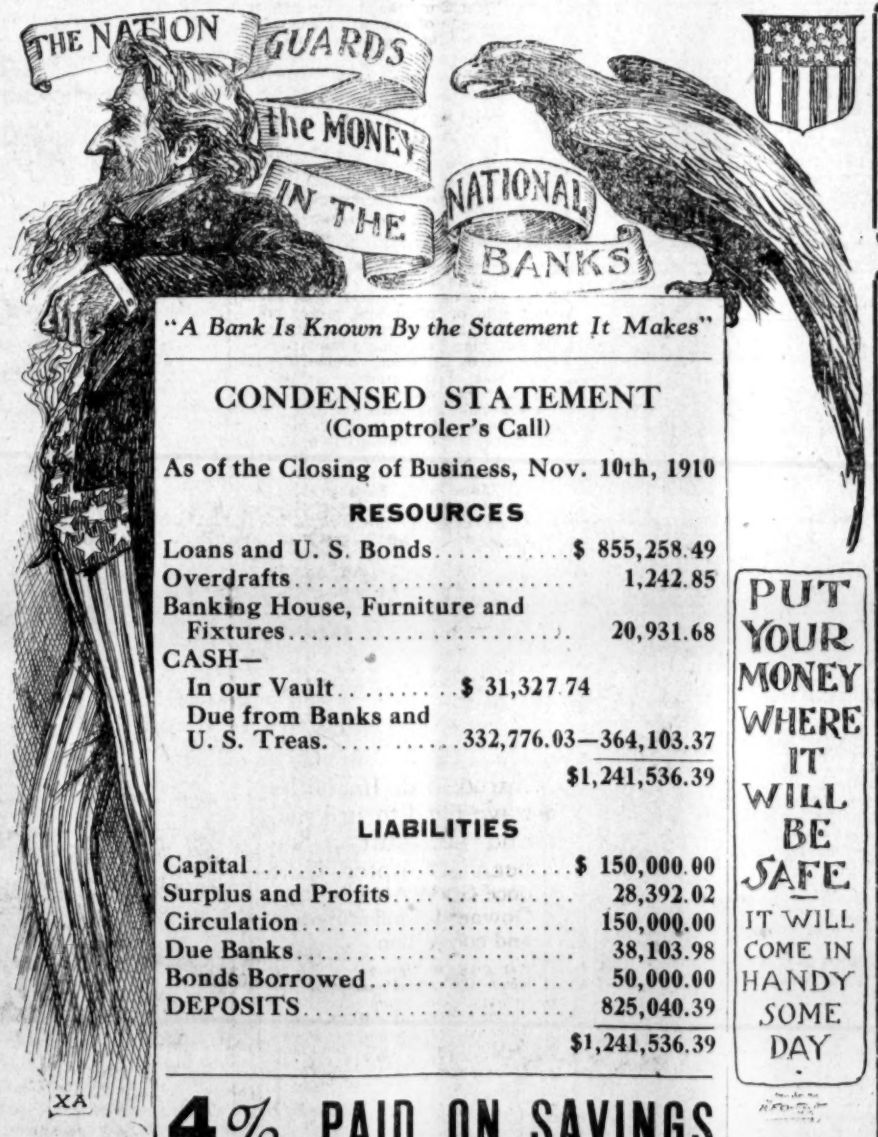
TO THE PEOPLE OF NEW HANOVER COUNTY AND VICINITY:

The officers, directors and stockholders of OUR bank take this method of reaching you, one and all, with their sincere wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We take this method of thanking every one of our depositors and all persons who have done business with us this year, for the nice business given us, and in helping us to build an institution that we are proud of. We trust that the coming year will mark even greater success for each and every one of you than this year has. Should you in any way need our services, command us, we assure you that it will be our pleasto help you in any way we can.

To those who are thinking of starting an account or making a change in their banking business, we invite your account. We feel sure that we can please you. We refer you to those who are banking with us. Very respectfully,

THOS. E. COOPER, Cashier.



"A Bank Is Known By the Statement It Makes"

CONDENSED STATEMENT
(Comptroler's Call)
As of the Closing of Business, Nov. 10th, 1910

RESOURCES

Loans and U. S. Bonds		$ 855,258.49
Overdrafts		1,242.85
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures		20,931.68
CASH—		
In our Vault	$ 31,327.74	
Due from Banks and U. S. Treas.	332,776.03	364,103.37
		$1,241,536.39

LIABILITIES

Capital	$ 150,000.00
Surplus and Profits	28,392.02
Circulation	150,000.00
Due Banks	38,103.98
Bonds Borrowed	50,000.00
DEPOSITS	825,040.39
	$1,241,536.39

4% PAID ON SAVINGS

PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE IT WILL BE SAFE
IT WILL COME IN HANDY SOME DAY

OUR DIRECTORS

Geo. O. Gaylord — Archie G. Warren
W. B. Cooper — W. B. McClellan
Jos. T. King — J. J. Hopking — C. Martin
Geo. W. Huggins — Thos. E. Cooper
V. Sidbury — Herbert McClammy

Just a Plain Business Question

In preparation for 1911 why not start an account at this BANK?

START IT NOW!

No matter how small your start, if you are in earnest and want to get ahead in the world, we will be glad to help you in any way we can consistent with sound banking.

Banking By Mail

If you cannot come with your money, you can send it to us

By Mail

A pass book or receipt will be sent you the same day received.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, Etc.

Mrs. T. C. Johnson, of Lumberton, spent yesterday in the city shopping.

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Friends will regret to learn that Mrs. W. H. Northrop continues very ill.

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Miss Mamie Beckwith has returned from a pleasant visit to Petersburg, Va.

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Mrs. L. J. Pepper, of Southport, is visiting friends and relatives in this city.

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Miss Mamie Brooks has returned from Hollins Institute, Virginia, to spend the holidays at home.

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Miss Annie Lizzie Manson, of Southport, spent yesterday in the city and returned home in the afternoon.

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Mrs. W. J. Martin, of Raleigh, arrived in the city yesterday to spend Christmas with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. D. MacMillan.

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Miss Lucile Polvogt is at home from Elizabeth College, Charlotte, N. C., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Polvogt.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Peterson, of Atkinson, N. C., were in the city yesterday and left last night for points North, where they will spend two or three weeks.

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Mr. H. Elbert Foster, of White Plains, N. Y., arrives tomorrow morning and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Addison G. Ricaud, at their hospitable home, No. 212 Orange street.

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The ladies of the Home Mission Society, of Grace M. E. Church, will be in the church parlor, Friday morning, December 23rd from 10 to 12 o'clock to receive contributions of groceries or money, for baskets for the poor. The baskets will be delivered Friday afternoon.

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It will be learned with interest that the ladies of the Cape Fear Golf Club will give a series of teas this Winter every Saturday afternoon, beginning after the holidays. The teas will be given on the same plan as last year, being served by four different ladies each Saturday. These ladies are chosen by the house committee each week.

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Christmas Eve night the nurses' committee of the Hospital Circle of the King's Daughters, will give a delightful reception to the nurses of the James Walker Memorial Hospital. The reception will take place in the Nurses' hall, and is being looked forward to with much pleasure and a most enjoyable time is promised by the committee.

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Mrs. Allan Nichols entertained at tea Friday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock at her home on South Front street in honor of Mrs. Eugene B. Wiggins, formerly of this city, but now of Lynchburg, Va. Miss Rowe Wiggins received with Mrs. Nichols and was assisted by Mesdames G. G. Thomas, George Rountree, Donald MacRae and John Cranmer. Misses Mildred Smith, Sallie Wright, Mary Owen Green and Helen Williams, among this season's debutants, assisted in the dining room.

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ELABORATE COSTUME PLAY THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9.

The costume spectacle, "The Parade of the States," which will be presented by the Sunday School of St. Andrew's church Thursday night, after Christmas, bids fair to surpass anything of the kind that has ever been presented in Wilmington. Rehearsals have been going on for a week already, and the young men and women of the Sunday School, about forty of whom will take part in it, are very enthusiastic over the progress being made. The rehearsals and presentation of the play are under the direction of Mrs. E. Norfleet and Mrs. E. B. King, both of whom are sparing no pains to make it a success. The costumes, made especially for the performance will be a gorgeous array of colors, as typefied by the title, and there is room for some pretty effects.

On account of the construction work being done on the Sunday School rooms, the play will be presented in the large hall on the second floor of the Woolvin building, on Princess street, which will provide ample room for displaying to the best advantage, the pageant in its entirety.

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SOROSIS OBSERVED "CAROLINA DAY."

The Literature Department of Sorosis was hostess to the other departments of the club at the regular monthly social meeting on Thursday afternoon, and complying with a request from the State Federation made the occasion an observance of "Carolina Day."

The club room in the Masonic Temple was prettily decorated with branches of long leaf pine and holly and bamboo, with clusters of poinsettas that gave a Christmas effect, and across one end of the room there was draped a beautiful North Carolina flag which was kindly loaned by the Masons for the occasion.

The programme opened with a piano solo by Mrs. Walter Love, rendered in her usual artistic manner, after which Mrs. Joseph W. Yates sang feelingly "The Calling of the Pines," a song in which all present felt an especial interest, and which was particularly appropriate, having been composed by one of Wilmington's "own," Miss Annie J. Hart, who was present as a specially invited and honred guest. All present enjoyed both the song and Mrs. Yates' charming rendition of it.

Professor Heman Shaw, principal of the High School, was then introduced and made a most scholarly and interesting talk on North Carolina. Professor Shaw began by saying that he was always glad to be able to say a word for North Carolina, that he felt sorry for the man who could not, and then went on to speak of her greatness in the past, the stand she had taken from the beginning for justice and right, the battle of Alamance which was fought many years before that of Lexington, being the first revolt against British tyranny in the colonies, her steadfastness and endurance, the illustrious sons she had produced, and the heavy handicaps she had labored under for many years, making any really great brilliancy in the realm of literature and art well nigh impossible; and predicting for her in the years that are to come as splendid achievements in that line as have been her's in military and historical affairs in the past.

The address was listened to with the deepest interest, and at its conclusion the club gave Professor Shaw a rising vote of sincere thanks for the pleasure and benefit it had been to them. They feel they were very fortunate in having him speak to them.

After the singing of "Carolina" by all present, fruit punch and cake were passed that all might join in drinking to the health of the Old North State.

It was a very interesting and pleasant afternoon, and all went away with a greater consciousness of the glory and pride they should feel in being "Tar Heels." Those having the arrangement of it in charge were Mrs. Martin S. Willard, Mrs. William M. Parsley, Jr., Mrs. J. O. Carr, Mrs. Marcus Jacobi, Miss Julia Parsley, Miss Elizabeth McKoy, and the chairman of the department, Mrs. Richard Price. The accompainments to the songs were played by Mrs. R. G. Grady, in her perfect style, and added much to the entertainment of the afternoon.

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Mrs. William Hull Moore and little son returned yesterday morning from a visit of several weeks to her mother, Mrs. Sappington, at Chestertown, Md. Mrs. Moore also stopped over in Washington, D. C. where she visited her sister.

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HOLIDAYS TO BE WHIRL OF PLEASURE.

Next Friday night, December 23rd., the Princeton Glee Club will give a concert at the Academy of Music, which start the gayeties for the Christmas holidays. Much interest is being shown in the several different social functions to be given in the next two weeks and are being looked forward to with great pleasure by the young people of the city. The first of these, as noted above, will be the Princeton Glee Club concert at the Academy Friday night, and no doubt will be attended by a large audience. From all reports it promises to be a very fine concert, with bright music, college songs, etc. The party consists of fifty men, divided in mandolin, banjo and glee clubs. Each of the different clubs is trained by skilled musicians who devote practicaly all of their time to instructing the members on the different instruments. The sale of seats starts Wednesday morning at Plummer's.

Immediately after the concert Mr. and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith will give a delightful dance at the Masonic Temple, complimentary to their daughter, Miss Mildred Smith, one of this season's charming debutantes, invitations to which have been received by a number of friends in the city, also the members of the glee club.

On Wednesday, December 28th, the L'Arioso German Club will give its regular Christmas german in the Masonic Temple. This dance is always looked forward to with much pleasure, and is one of the prettiest and most elaobrate that the club gives during the season. The ball room will be especially decorated for the occasion, and lovely favors will be given out during the dance. The patronesses of the club are Mesdames, P L. Bridgers, John D. Bellamy, I V Grainger, Pembroke Jones, G. W. Kidder, E. W. Van C. Lucas, J. E. Wise, Robt. H Northrop, Hugh MacRae, Allan Nichols, George Rountree, G Herbert Smith, G. G. Thomas, E. P. Bailey. The officers are: President, Thomas D. Wright; vice president E P. Bailey; Secretary and Treasurer Meades Harris; Leader, E. E. Childer; Governing board, Messrs. T H Wright E P Bailey, H H Chase, Graham Kenan, VanRensselaer C. King, J. Walter Williamson and Meades Harris.

On Thursday night December 29th, the L'Agile Cotillion Club will give its Christmas dance. These dances are always very enjoyable affairs, and are attended by a large crowd of young people. The patronesses are Miss Belle Anderson, Mesdames: S. M. Boatwright, Allan Nichols, H. M. Emerson, Annie Northrope, E. P. Crow, S. A. Stockard, V. R. C. King, T. M. Green, and E. G. LeGrand. The officers are: President, J. R. Murchison; vice-president, T. F. Wood; Secretary and Treasurer E. P. Peschau; Leader, P. L. Cantwell. Governing Board, Messrs. T. Moore, Waddell Watters, Bernard O'Neill and the officers.

There will be a number of other social affairs during the week, among which will be several after-german suppers.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Roy Croom is confined to his home on account of illness, friends will regret to learn.

—Friends will regret to know that Mr. J. L. Bolton is ill of the grip. He is at Dr. Harper's Sanitarium.

—Friends will be glad to learn that the condition of Capt. Geo. W. Smith, one of the sergeants of the police force, who has been critically ill, was a shade better yesterday, and that his chance of recovery is a little more favorable.

—Many friends will be glad to learn that Mr. Frank Peiffer, who has been ill at the James Walker Memorial Hospital for several weeks, is able to be out again. Mr. Peiffer, who is manager of the Crystal Palace, and his brother, Mr. Peter Peiffer, will leave today for their home in New York City to spend the holidays. Mr. Frank Peiffer will return early in January, but Mr. Peter Peiffer will remain in New York. Both have many friends in this city.

—Mr. J. Edwin Bunting, who attended the annual meeting of the National Naval and Militia Association at the New Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., has returned home and reports a great meeting. Senator Simmons and Congressman Godwin were very courteous to the delegates from North Carolina.

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Ten Pins, 50c and	$1.00
Pianos, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Horns and Trumpets, 5c, 25c and	50c
Nested Blocks, 10c, 25c and	50c
Air Rifles, 50c to	$2.75
Xmas Tree Candles, 10c and	15c
Rubber Balls, 10c, 25c and	50c
Trunks, 25c, 50c and	$1.00
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Tea Sets, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Slates, 10c, 15c and	25c

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Children's fine ribbed Hose, all sizes, 25c values, per pair	16 2-3c
Children's extra fine quality lisle Hose, all sizes, per pair	25c
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Ladies' linen embroidered Handkerchiefs, six to a box for Christmas gifts, a box	$1.25
Ladies' all linen embroidered Handkerchiefs, each 50c, 75c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Gents' Handkerchiefs, initial, all linen, six to a box. Christmas price, a box	$1.50
Gents' cotton hemstitched Handkerchiefs each 5c and	10c
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All Leather Suit Case, 24-inch, a $6.50 value, special	$5.00
Ladies' Hand Bag, brass framed, made of alligator skin, special	$3.50
Ladies' Shopping Bags, black and brown leather, $1.00, $1.50, $2.50 and	$3.50
Gents' and Ladies' Traveling Bags, solid leather, kid lined, 12 to 18 inch, $3.50 to	$6.00
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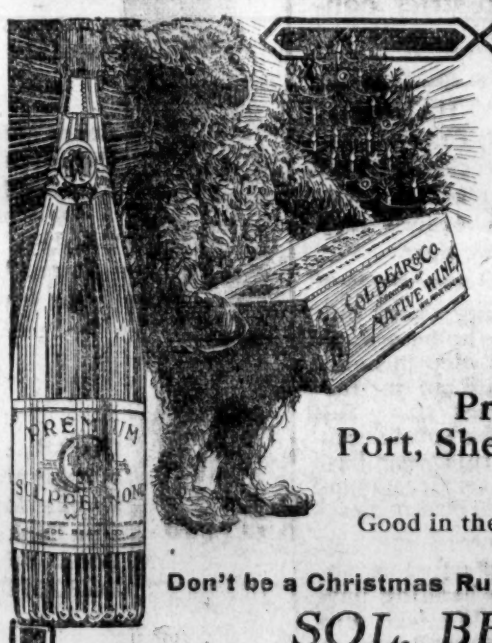

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FINANCIAL and COMMERCIAL

A STEADY TONE FOR COTTON

Bullish Estimate of European Consumption Yesterday—Opened Steady at Small Advance —General Situation.

New York, Dec. 17.—A generally steady tone was imparted to the cotton market today by bullish estimates of European consumption and while there was continued realizing which caused some irregularity, the close was steady at a net advance of two to six points.

The market opened steady at an advance of one to six points in response to higher cables than expected and during the first few minutes sold six to seven points higher on the publication of an estimate by one of the leading English authorities placing the weekly consumption of Great Britain and the continent at 715,000 bales during November against 170,000 during the same period last year. The same authority estimated the mill stocks of Great Britain and the continent as of December 1st at 1,385,000 against 1,562,000 last year.

This showing was considered bullish, but failed to stimulate fresh outside buying, probably owing to uncertainty as to the showing of the census report next Tuesday and the market during the middle of the morning eased off four or five points from the best under realizing. Later, however, there was a renewal of bull support and the market reached the highest point of the day in the late trading with the close only a little off from the best. The week end figures received a bullish interpretation, but reviews of the week from Fall River continue to indicate an unsatisfactory business, the total sales beestimated at only 80,000 pieces.

Receipts at the ports today 42,087 against 68,753 bales last week and 36,501 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 10,612 against 3,125, last year.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 15.15; middling gulf 15.40.

Futures opened steady and closed steady.

	Open	High	Low	Close
December	14.84	14.87	14.8	14.86
January	14.85	14.91	14.85	14.89
February				15.02
March	15.15	—	—	15.02
April	—	—	—	15.28
May	15.38	15.40	15.36	15.39
June				15.39
July	15.41	15.41	15.37	15.39
August	15.08	15.09	15.04	15.06
October	13.68	13.70	13.67	13.66

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Firm, 15; net receipts 10,636; gross receipts 10,636; sales 627; stock 215,708; Continent 6,398.

New Orleans—Firm, 14 7-8; net receipts 10,612; gross receipts 10,619; sales 2,425; stock 238,023; Great Britain 2,750; coastwise 1,000.

Mobile—Firm, 14 3-4; net receipts 2,207; gross receipts 2,207; sales 1,150; stock 67,718; Continent 8,855; coastwise 21.

Savannah—Firm, 14 5-8; net receipts 8,186; gross receipts 8,186; sales 2,070; stock 189,966; Great Britain 2,076.

Charleston—Firm, 14 5-8; net receipts 2,215; gross receipts 2,215; stock 39,475; coastwise 653.

Wilmington—Quiet, 15 5-8; net receipts 1,211; gross receipts 1,211; stock 15,082; Great Britain 14,300.

Norfolk—Steady, 15; net receipts 6,214; gross receipts 6,214; sales 939; stock 32,060; Continent 1,358; coastwise 4,272.

Baltimore—Nominal, 14 7-8; stock 16,140.

New York—Quiet, 15.15; net receipts 78; gross receipts 5,571; stock 252,343; Great Britain 2,737.

Boston—Quiet, 15.15; net receipts 728; gross receipts 951; stock 2,854.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 15.40; gross receipts 1,700; stock 5,405; Continent 900.

Brunswick—Stock 4,355.

Gulfport—Stock 8,491.

Total today, at all ports, net 41,087; Great Britain 19,787; France 17,131; stock 1,078,263.

Consolidated, at all ports net 42,087; Great Britain 19,787; France 17,131.

Total since sept. 1st, at all ports, net 5,385,735; Great Britain 1,912,895; France 448,464; Continent 1,427,506; Japan 48,185; Mexico 500.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 15; net receipts 10,108; gross receipts 10,108; shipments 9,908; sales 2,179; stock 130,966.

Augusta—Firm, 14 5-16; net receipts 2,029; gross receipts 2,554; shipments 2,606; sales 968; stock 90,818.

Memphis—Firm, 15 3-8; net receipts 2,816; gross receipts 4,840; shipments 4,799; sales 2,000; stock 210,477.

St. Louis—Steady, 15 7-16; net receipts 448; gross receipts 1,306; shipments 3,193; sales 400; stock 14,064.

Little Rock—Firm, 14 7-8; net receipts 1,496; gross receipts 1,496; shipments 1,555; stock 47,227.

Total today—Net receipts 18,203; gross receipts 25,142; shipments 27,707; sales 5,577; stock 513,281.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Spot Good Business Prices Two Points Higher.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Spot, good business done, prices 2 points higher to 2 points lower. American middling fair 8.57; good middling 8.23; middling 8.09; low middling 7.89; good ordinary 7.66; ordinary 7.38.

The sales of the day were 12,000 bales of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 11,200 American. Receipts none. Futures opened quiet and steady and closed quiet. December 7.90; December and January 7.89 1-2; January and February 7.90 1-2; February and March 7.92 1-2; March and April 7.94; April and May 7.95; May and June 7.96; June and July 7.94 1-2; July and August 7.93 1-2; August and September 7.73 1-2; September and October 7.37; October and November 7.16 1-2.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 17.—Turpentine steady.

Savannah, Dec. 17.—Spirits turpentine firm 75 1-2; sales 292; receipts 435; shipments 1,566; stock 15,310. Rosin firm; sales 3,163; receipts 2,519; shipments 1,334; stocks 77,790. Quote: B, 5.75; D, 5.77 1-2; E, 5.80 to 5.82 1-2; F, 5.85 to 5.80; G 5.87 1-2 to 5.90; H, 5.90 to 5.95; I, 6.10 to 6.20; K, 6.75; M, 7.20; N, 7.40; WG, 7.50; WW, 7.60.

Charleston, Dec. 17.—Turpentine firm 75; Rosin firm. Quote: A B C, 5.72 1-2; D, 5.80; E, 5.77 1-2 to 5.82 1-2; F, 5.82 1-2 to 5.85; G, 5.85 to 5.90; H, 5.90 to 5.95; I, 6.10 to 6.20; M, 6.75; N, 7.50; WG, 7.65; WW, 7.75.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 17.—The dry goods markets were quiet for the day. The holiday trade in retail stores is very active. Linens are firm; burlaps quiet. Fine and fancy cottons are being reordered moderately for Spring.

MARINE

CLEARED.

Str. Navahoe, Packer, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Br. str. Polamhall, Vass, Liverpool, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

EXPORTS—FOREIGN.

Liverpool—Br. str. Polamhall, 14,300 bales cotton, valued at $1,070,000; vessel and cargo by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

St. Jerome (Br.) 2,025 tons, Hallam, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Gretavale (Br.) 1,678 tons, Macmillan, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

E. Russ (Ger.) 1,456 tons, Paulsen, Heide & Co.

Eriphia (Ger.) 1,289 tons, Beltman, Heide & Co.

Kalanga (Br.) 2,160 tons, Plomer, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Tennyson (Br.) 1,319 tons, Williams, Heide

Loyalne (Br.) 1,598 tons, Daniels, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

& Co.

Schooners.

Blanche (BF.) 165 tons, Albury, C. D. Maffitt.

F. & T. Lupton, 797 tons, Longstreet, C. D. Maffitt.

Francis V. Sawyer, 324 tons, Dobbin, C. D. Maffitt.

Edwina, 398 tons, Smith, C. D. Maffitt.

Barques.

Caithness-shire (Br.) 1,525 tons, Halford, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 17, 1910.

Atlantic Coast Line—1,211 bales cotton; 6 casks spirits turpentine; 100 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—1,211 bales cotton; 6 casks spirits turpentine; 100 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

THE PRODUCE MARKET.

New or, Dec. 17.—Flour dull. Spring patents 5.15 to 5.50; winter straights 4.15 to 4.30; winter patents 4.80 to 4.75.

Rye Flour—Firmer.

Buckwheat Flour—Dull.

Buckwheat—Quiet.

Cornmeal—Steady; fine white and yellow 1.20 to 1.25; coarse 1.15 to 1.20; kiln dried 2.95.

Rye—Dull.

Wheat—Spot barely steady; No. 2, red 97 5-8 both elevator and fob afloat. Futures dull and featureless. Closing 1-8 cent net lower. December 97 1-8; May 1.02 1-8; July 1.00 1-8.

Corn—Spot steady; No. 2, new 54; spot fob. Futures without transactions closing 3-8 to 1-4 cent lower December 55; May 55 3-8.

Oats—Spot steady; standard white 38 3-4; No. 2, 39 1-4; No. 3, 37 3-4; No. 4, 37 1-4.

Futures without transactions closing 1-4 to 3-4 cent lower; December 37 3-4; May 39 3-8; July 39 1-2.

Lard—Steady; continent 11.00; compound 8 5-8 to 9.

Tallow—Quiet.

Rosin—Steady; strained common to good 6.00.

Rice—Steady; domestic 2 1-4 to 4 1-4; Patna 5 1-2 to 6.

Molasses—Firm, New Orleans open kettle 30 to 50.

Raw sugar—Firm; refined steady.

The coffee futures market opened and closed steady 3 points higher to 6 points lower. Spot steady, Rio No. 7, 13 1-2; Santos No. 4, 13 7-8; mild steady; Cordova 13 3-4 to 15 3-4.

Potatoes and Cabbages and Peanuts and Freights—Quiet, unchanged.

Butter—Easy; creamery specials 31; extras 29 1-2 to 30.

Cheese—Steady, unchanged.

Eggs—Weak; fresh good extra first 24 to 35; do. seconds 29 to 32; refrigerator fancy 25 1-2 to 26.

Cotton seed oil ruled dull and featureless again today with futures closed 2 points lower to 2 points higher; crude oil was steady; prime sellers 6.40; December 7.12 to 7.15; January 7.16 to 7.17; February 7.15 to 7.22; March 7.25 to 7.26; April 7.25 to 7.30; prime crude 6.20; do. summer yellow 7.12 to 7.20; do, winter yellow 7.20 to 8.05; do, summer white 7.25 to 8.00.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 17.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady 74; cents.

ROSIN—Steady, $5.35 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Firm, $2.50 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market, firm $4.50 per barrel for hard; $6.00 for dip and $6.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm 52 1-2; rosin nothing doing; tar, $2.00; crude turpentine; firm $2.50, $4.00 and $4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	6
Rosin	(—)
Tar	100
Crude Turpentine	5

Receipts, same day last year 17 casks spirits turpentine; 27 barrels rosin; 220 barrels tar; 18 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Quiet, 14 5-8 cents for middling.

Same day last year, 14 1-4 cents.

Receipts—1,211 bales, same day last year 1,321 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 18th.)

PEANUTS—Virginias, extra prime 70 cents, fancy 75 cents. Spanish from $1.05 to $1.15 cents. North Carolina, No. 1, 90 to 95 cents per bushel. New crop.

CORN—Firm, 70c per bushel.

N. C. HAMS—Good demand; hams 22; shoulders 17 to 18 cents and side 17 to 18c.

EGGS—Good demand, 25 cents.

CHICKENS—Spring 25 to 40; grown, 45 and 50 cents, dull.

BEESWAX—Firm 27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2 to 5c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 45 to 50 cents per bushel.

HIDES—Dr. flint 13c; green 7c per pound.

WOOL—Burr 12 to 15c; free of burr 18 to 20c.

GREASE—60 cents per head.

PORK—9 to 10 cents, net.

SHEEP—No demand.

LAMB—$1.00 to $2.50.

PEAS—white peas, $2.50 to $2.75.

IRISH POTATOES—New crop 80 to 90 cents, dull.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 17.—Money on call nominal. Time loans dull and weak, sixty days and ninety days 4 per cent, six months 4 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8235 to 4.8250 for sixty day bills and at 4.8535 for demand. Commercial bills 4.81 3-4 to 4.82 1-8. Bar silver 54 5-8. Mexican dollars 45.

STOCKS WERE AT STANDSTILL

Market Was Apparently Left to Its Own Advices Yesterday—Brokerage Firm Failure Noted —Features.

New York, Dec. 17.—Today's brief session on the stock exchange dismissed with the bald statement that business during the greater part of the two hours was almost at a complete standstill. Price changes in few instances were important and the market apparently was left to its own devices. Some of the semi-active issues were not quoted at all, and the net result was a mixture of losses and gains, the latter predominating. The monotony of the day was broken by the failure of an inconspicious brokerage firm.

Overnight developments were not of a character to make for optimism. The large increase in the number of idle cars reported by the American Railway Association 10,800 between November 23rd and December 7th—offers additional proof that the business of the leading transportation companies leaves much to be desired at this time but some comfort was derived from the fact that these same conditions were much worse in the corresponding period last year. Postponement for two months by the Interstate Commerce Commission of the introduction of the new long and short clauses was accepted as another set back for the railroads.

London and the continental markets were almost as dull as our own.

Total sales of bonds par value $1,632,000. Total sales today 155,700 shares.

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. ref 2s reg	100 3-4
U. S. ref 2s con	100 3-4
U. S. 3s registered	102
U. S. 3s coupon	102 1-2
U. S. 4s registered	115 1-2
U. S. 4s coupon	115 1-2
Allis Chalmers 1st 5s	97 1-2
American Agricultural 5s	102 1-2
American Tel. & Tel cv 4s	106 7-8
American Tobacco 4s	80
American Tobacco 6s	105 5-8
Armour & Co. 4 1-2s	92 1-8
Atchison gen 4s	98 7-8
Atchison cv 4s	105
Atchison cv 6s	108 3-4
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	93 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	98 3-4
Baltimore & Ohio 3 1-2s	92 3-4
Baltimore & Ohio S. W. 3 1-2s	90
Brooklyn Transit cv 4s	82 5-8
Central of Georgia 5s	107 5-8
Central Leather 5s	99 1-8
Central R. R. of N. J. gen 5s	122
Chesapeake & Ohio 4 1-2s	101 1-2
Chesapeake & Ohio ref 5s	94 3-8
Chicago & Alton 3 1-2s	70
Chicago, B. & Quincy joint 4s	95 5-8
Chi. B. & Quincy gen 4s	97 1-4
Chi. Mil. & St. P. gen 3 1-2s	93
Chi., R. I. & Pac. R. R. Col 4s	73 1-8
Chi. R. I. & Pac. Ry. rfg 4s	89
Colorado Industrial 5s	75
Colorad Midland 4s	68
Colo. & Southern ref & ext 4 1-2s	97 1-4
Delaware & Hudson cv 4s	98
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	93 1-2
Denver & Rio Grande ref 5s	89 1-2
Distillers 5s	77 1-2
Erie prior lien 4s	92
Erie gen 4s	75 1-4
Erie cv 4s series 'A'	
Erie cv 4s series 'B'	68 1-4
General Electric cv 5s	140 1-8
Illinois Central 1st ref 4s	97 3-4
Interborough Met. 4 1-2s	80 1-8
Inter Merc Marine 4 1-2s	62
Japan 4s	88 3-4
Japan 4 1-2s	95
Kansas City Southern 1st 3s	73 5-8
Lake Shore deb 4s (1931)	93 3-8
Louisville & Nashville Un 4s	98 1-2
Mo. Kansas & Texas 1st 4s	97 1-2
Mo., Kansas & Texas gen 4 1-2s	85 1-2
Missouri Pacific 4s	77 1-2
Nat. Rys. of Mexico 4 1-2s	94 1-2
New York Central gen 3 1-2s	88 1-2
New York Central deb 4s	93 3-8
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford cv 6s	133 7-8
Norfolk & Western 1st con 4s	98 3-4
Norfolk & Western cv 4s	101 1-4
Northern Pacific 4s	100
Northern Pacific 3s	70 1-2
Oregon Short Line rfng 4s	92 3-4
Penn. cv 3 1-2s (1915)	96
Penn. con 4s	105 7-8
Reading gen 4s	98 1-8
St. Louis & San Fran fg 4s	81
St. Louis & San Fran. gen 5s	86
St. Louis S'western con 4s	76
St. Louis S'western 1st gold 4s	90
Seaboard Air Line 5s	76 1-4
Southern Pacific col 4s	92
Southern Pacific cv 4s	97 1-2
Sou. Pac. R. R. 1st ref 4s	94
Southern Railway 5s	107 1-2
Southern Railway gen 4s	76
Union Pacific 4s	101
Union Pacific cv 4s	105 5-8
Union Pacific 1st & ref 4s	97
U. S. Rubber 6s	102 78
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	104
Virginia Carolina Chemical 5s	100 1-4
Wabash 1st 5s	108 1-2
Wabash 1st & ext 4s	64 5-8
Western Maryland 4s	86 3-8
Westinghouse Electric cv 5s	92 1-2
Wisconsin Central 4s	93

Closing Stock List.

Allis Chalmers pfd	27 1-2
Amalgamated Copper	63 7-8
American Agricultural	46 3-4
American Beet Sugar	40 1-2
American Can	9
American Car & Foundry	49 1-2
American Cotton Oil	58 3-4
American Hide & Leather pfd	22
American Ice Securities	17 1-2
American Linseed	11
American Locomotive	36 1-4
American Smelting & Ref	74
Mr. Smelting & Ref pfd	103 1-2
American Steel Foundries	42
American Sugar Refining	114
American Tel & Tel	141 1-2
American Tobacco pfd	93 1-2
American Woolen	31 1-4
Anaconda Mining Co.	39 1-4
Atchison	101
Atchison pfd	102 3-8
Atlantic Coast Line	135
Baltimore & Ohio	105 3-4
Bothlehem Steel	28 3-4
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	74 1-4
Canadian Pacific	193 3-8
Central Leather	31 1-8
Central Leather pfd	102 7-8
Central of New Jersey	280
Chesapeake & Ohio	80 1-2
Chicago & Alton	28
Chicago Great Western	22
Chicago Great Western pfd	44 3-4
Chicago & North Western	141 3-4
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	122 7-8
C., C. C. & St. Louis	64
Colorado Fuel & Iron	31 1 4
Colorado & Southern	37
Consolidated Gas	133 1-4
Corn Products	14 3-4
Delaware & Hudson	183 1-4
Denver & Rio Grande	28 1-2
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	69 1-4
Distillers' Securities	33 1-8
Erie	27 3-8
Erie 1st pfd	41 1-2
Erie 2nd pfd	33 1-2
General Electric	155 1-8
Great Northern pfd	123
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	56
Illinois Central	133
Interborough Met.	20 1-4
Interborough Met. pfd	65 7-8
Inter Harvester	110
Inter Marine pfd	16 1-4
International Paper	12 3-4
International Pump	40 3-8
Iowa Central	18
Kansas City Southern	30 1-2
Kansas City Southern pfd	68 3-4
Laclede Gas	104 3-4
Louisville & Nashville	143
Minneapolis & St. Louis	28
Minn., St. P. & Sault St. M.	129
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	31 5-8
Missouri, Kansas & Texas pfd	62
Missouri Pacific	46 3-8
National Biscuit	118 3-8
National Lead	53
Nat. Rys of Mexico 2nd pfd	34 1-2
New York Central	112
New York, Ontario & Western	40 3-4
Norfolk & Western	100 7-8
North American	67
Northern Pacific	115 5-8
Pacific Mail	28 1-2
Pennsylvania	128 7-8
People's Gas	105
Pittsburg C. C. & St. Louis	99
Pittsburg Coal	17
Pressed Steel Car	30 3-4
Pullman Palace Car	159
Railway Steel Spring	31
Reading	149 1-8
Republic Steel	30 1-2
Republic Steel pfd	91 3-4
Rock Island Co.	30
Rock Island Co. pfd	61
St. Louis & San Fran. 2nd pfd	37 1-2
St. Louis Southwestern	24 1-2
St. Louis Southwestern pfd	60 1-2
Sloss Sheffield Steel & Iron	49
Southern Pacific	114 1-8
Southern Railway	25 3-8
Southern Railway pfd	61 5-8
Tennessee Copper	35 1-4
Texas & Pacific	25 1-4
Toledo, St. Louis & West	22
Toledo, St. Louis & West pfd	50 1-2
Union Pacific	160 3-4
Union Pacific pfd	92
United States Realty	68 1-2
United States Rubber	34
United States Steel	72 3-4
United States Steel pfd	116 1-4
Utah Copper	45 1-2
Virginia Carolina Chemical	62
Wabash	16 1-4
Wabash pfd	34 1-4
Western Maryland	47
Westinghouse Electric	66 1-4
Western Union	73 3-4
Wheeling & Lake Erie	5

THE GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—With the Australian supply of wheat the largest on record and with primary receipts in this country greatly in excess of a year ago, the market here eased off a little today. The close was at a net decline of a shade to 5-8c. Corn and oats both finished 1-8 to 3-8c under last night. In provisions, latest figures were unchanged to 10c up.

Wheat—No. 2 red 93 to 93 3-4; No. 3 red 91 to 92 1-8; No. 2 hard 93 1-2 to 96 1-2; No. 3 hard 91 to 94; No. 1 northern 1.04 to 1.06; No. 3 northern 1.00 to 1.03; No. 2 spring 94 to 1.03; No. 3 spring 93 to 1.02; velvet chaff 90 to 1.01; durum 82 to 92.

Corn—No. 2, 48 1-2; No. 2 new 46 1-2 to 46 3-4; No. 2 white 48 to 48 1-2; No. 2 yellow 50 1-2 to 51; No. 2 yellow new 46 3-4 to 47; No. 3, 47 1-2 to 48; No. 3 new 44 to 44 1-2; No. 3 white 47 1-2 to 48; No. 3 white new 44 to 44 1-2; No. 3 yellow 49 1-2 to 50; No. 3 yellow new 44 to 45; No. 4, 47 to 47 1-4; No. 4 new 42 to 42 1-2; No. 4 white 47 to 47 1-2; No. 4 white new 42 to 42 1-2; No. 4 yellow 48 to 48 1-2; No. 4 yellow new 42 to 42.

Oats—No. 2, 31; No. 2 white 33 to 33 3-4; No. 3 white 32 to 32 1-2; No. 4, 30; No. 4 white 31 1-2 to 32; standard 32 3-4 to 33.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat.				
Dec.	91⅝	91½	91⅛	91⅛
May	95⅝	95⅝	95⅛	95⅝
July	93¼	93⅝	93	93⅛
Corn.				
Dec.	45⅜	45⅝	45⅛	45⅛
May	47⅝	47⅝	47¼	47⅜
July	48⅜	48⅝	48⅛	48⅝
Oats.				
Dec.	31⅛	31½	31¼	31⅛
May	34⅛	——	——	34
July	33⅞	33⅞	33⅛	33⅝
Mess Pork, per bbl.				
Jan.	19 20	19 47½	19 20	19 47½
May	18 02½	18 17½	17 97½	18 17½
Lard, per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	10 25	10 32½	10 25	10 30
May	9 97½	10 05	9 97½	10 02½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	10 12½	10 22½	10 10	10 20
May	9 35	9 65	9 52½	9 65

DOUBT ABOUT INDIA CROP.

Smaller Crop is English Estimate—The Market eatures.

(Special Star Telegram.)

New York, Dec. 17.—The traders are still in doubt over the meaning of the estimate of the India crop as given yesterday by the English government, but as Liverpool advanced slightly it has accepted that the current belief in a smaller crop than last season was correct. Mr. Ellison increased his estimate of the consumption by English spinners 10,000 a week for November over October so the total consumption of Europe is now estimated at 175,000 as against 170,000 last year. Our market was a steady one, with a firm undertone on these advices and advanced slowly to the close. In the last few minutes there was a large selling order to take profits, which checked the improvement, but the traders epect a higher market in Liverpool on Monday and a small ginners' report on Tuesday.

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PEANUTS.

(Reported by Rogers, MacCabe & Co.)

Spanish—Firm at $1.10 per bushel.

Virginias—Firm, fancy hand picked 3 1-4c to 3 1-2c; machine picked 2 3-4c to 3c; shelling stock 2c to 2 1-2c.

AFFAIRS AT LUMBERTON.

Mr. Frederick Phillips Dies at Fairmont—Other News Items.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 17.—Friends and relatives here were saddened today about noon when a phone message from Fairmont announced the death of young Mr. Frederick Phillips in that town, at 11:30 o'clock, as the result of an attack of typhoid fever, from which he had suffered for several weeks. Mr. Phillips was a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Phillips, of Suffolk, Va. He was engaged with the Beaufort County Lumber Company's plant at Fairmont, of which his father is the manager. All members of the family were with him when the end came, but one sister, who is off in school. The remains will be brought here tomorrow and carried on the evening train to his Virginia home for interment. Mr. Phillips was a nephew of Mr. L. E. Whaley, of Lumberton, his mother and Mr. Whaley being brother and sister.

The condition of Mrs. Jacob Fessell, who has been critically ill for several days, is regarded as slightly improved tonight. At 9 o'clock Mrs. Ann Eliza Higley is gradually sinking and is not expected to live through the night.

Miss Elizabeth Beck, who has been engaged the past two seasons in the millinery store of Messrs. Caldwell & Carlyle, will leave tomorrow evening for her home in New York to spend the holidays. During her stay in Lumberton Miss Beck has made many friends who will be delighted to know that she will return in time for the Spring trade.

Mrs. T. H. Hinds left this evening for Bingham, S. C., in response to a 'phone message informing her of the critical illness of her mother, who it was feared could not live more than a few hours at most.

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Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for Pulpits Today.

St. Paul's Episcopal church, corner of Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. A. W. Seabrease, rector. Services at 11 A. M., evening service at 5 P. M. Seats free.

St. Thomas' Catholic church; first mass 7 A. M. Last mass and sermon 10:30 A. M. vespers, 7:45 P. M.

St. Matthews' English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, Rev. H. E. Beatty, pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 10 A. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. You are welcome.

Fifth Street M. E. Church, Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor, services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Public cordially invited.

Grace M. E. Church, corner Fourth and Grace streets, Rev. J. C. Wooten, pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school in afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Public cordially invited.

Dock Street Christian Church; regular services Lord's Day morning and evening, Rev. C. Manly Morton, pastor. Bible School at 10 A. M.; preaching services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Christian Endeavor at 6:45 P. M.; mid-week prayer service, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The public cordially invited to all services of the church. On Sunday evening a special sermon will be preached by the pastor, subject: "The Glory of Womanhood." At the close of the service the ordinance of Baptism will be administered. A welcome will be extended all. Come out and worship with us.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. K. Snyder, pastor. Fourth Sunday in Advent. English service 11 A. M.; Vesper service 7:30 P. M. Cunday School 3:30 P. M. A cordial invitation to all. Seats free.

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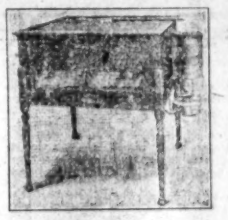

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THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 17, 1910

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M. Saturday, Dec. 17th:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 28 degrees, 8 P. M. 44 degrees; maximum 47 degrees; minimum 26 degrees; mean 36 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0; for the month, .07 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville 8 A. M., Saturday 4.7 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Rain Sunday or Sunday night and probably Monday, warmer Sunday; moderate northeast to east winds.

Port Calendar—December 17.

Sun Rises.... ....7.12 A. M.
Sun Sets.. ....5.06 A. M.
Day's Length.. .... ..9 hrs. 54 min.
High water at Southport..9.13 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 12.13 A.M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.
December 17, 1910.

STATIONS.	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest Today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	24-hour precipitation, 8 P. M.
Asheville ... .cloudy		46	20	.0
Atlanta ... .cloudy		46	30	.0
Charleston ... .cldy		54	40	.0
Charlotte ... .cloudy		46	22	.0
Chicago ... .clear		40	28	.0
Galveston ... .clear		64	58	.38
Jacksonville ....pt cldy		64	46	.0
New Orleans ... .clear		60	58	1.56
New York .....cloudy		26	10	0
Pittsburg ... .clear		30	14	.0
Raleigh ... .clear		44	20	.0
St. Louis .....clear		54	32	.0
Washington .... ..clear		34	12	.0

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C. H. Rowan—Female Help.
Dr. J. W. Powell—For Sale.
J. O. Reilly—Attention Elks.
For Sale—Victor Typewriter.
C. H. Rowan—Help Wanted.
Young Lady—Desires Room.
Whitman's Wood Yard—Wood.
Wanted—Efficient Stenographer.
Frank D. Bell—Beautiful Salax.
Board Wanted—Two Young Men.
The Beauty Shop.—Elegant Line.
Shadeland Dairy—To the Public.
Triangle Hosiery Mills—Wanted.
For Rent—Three or Four Rooms.
United States Calendar Co.—Salesmen.
Room for Rent—Near A. C. L. Offices.

CHRISTMAS TREE DISPLAY.

East Window of Offices of Tidewater Co. Attractive.

The Christmas display in the east window of the offices of the Tidewater Power Co. on Princess Street is attracting much attention. Instead of the old time candles, the tree is decorated with the new Edison ornamental lights made for this special purpose, and the old fashion fire place, with its sooty and unkept appearance is supplanted in the new Odorless Vulcan gas fire-place. The electric irons, toasters and sewing machine motors all in the conventional holly packages are arranged as a back-ground, and the window is entirely suggestive of the holiday season. The windows of this company are about the largest and handsomest in this section, and as soon as the rush incident to their recent removal from their Front Street offices subsides the company will make their windows a distinct feature.

MEETING FOR MEN TODAY.

Rev. W. E. Cox Will Deliver Address—The Yoke Fellows.

At the men's meeting at the Bijou Theatre at 5 o'clock this afternoon under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., Rev. W. E. Cox, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, will deliver the third in his series of addresses, his subject being "What Does God Think of Me?" The men of the city generally are cordially invited to attend.

The appointment of the Yoke Fellows of the association for today are as follows: City Jail, 10 A. M., Mr. K. W. Price; County Home, 2:30 P. M., H. G. Bowden and H. E. O'Keef; Wrightsboro, Union Sunday School, H. G. Bowden and I. W. Cooper, 3 P. M.; Greenville Sound, 7:30 P. M., Mr. L. D. Latta and P. Heinsberger; Castle Haynes, 4:30 P. M., Rev. A. D. McClure.

Concert at Boys' Brigade.

That the people of Wilmington thoroughly enjoy the music of a good quartette is manifested by the large number of inquiries that are made daily of the manager of the Boys' Brigade concerning the Orphean Musical Club, which is the next number on the Boys' Brigade Lyceum Course and will appear next Wednesday, December 21st. This is the eighth season of this organization and it has had phenomenal success. The Club has an extensive repertoire of vocal music in the classic, humorous and comic selections, in all of which the members are equally at home.

This concert will probably be a real treat and merits a full house. Single admission and reserved seat tickets will be on sale at Dosher Brothers Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 20th and 21st.

For the benefit of the public I have made an elaborate display of the "Beehler" umbrella in showcase in front of my store. It will be of interest to everyone to see same Sunday and Monday, December 18th and 19th. Those who anticipate purchasing Christmas presents should take a look at these goods as it is without an exception the handsomest and largest assortment of fine umbrellas that have ever been shown in Wilmington. I Shrier, Northwest corner of Front and Princess streets. **

OUTING AT NORFOLK, VA.

Mr. A. S. Holden Returns to City From a Delightful Affair.

Mr. A. S. Holden, local representative of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company, of Newark, N. J., has returned from Norfolk, Va., where he attended the outing given by the Virginia Agency of the Company, complimentary to the North Carolina Agency, the latter having won in a contest for the greatest amount of business written during the months of October and November. Twenty-five agents from each State were entitled to be present for the outing and most of the number were in attendance. During the two months the two agencies wrote more than one million dollars worth of insurance. It will be of interest to Wilmingtonians to know that Mr. Holden was second among the North Carolina agents in the amount of business written during that period, Mr. Geo. C. Tudor, of Winston-Salem, being first. Mr. John C. Drewry, of Raleigh is State agent, and Mr. Horace R. Dowell, of Raleigh, is supervising agent. The outing at Norfolk was greatly enjoyed, many places of interest in that section of Virginia being visited.

ZERO WEATHER IN VIRGINIA.

Extremely Cold in Northern Section of State Yesterday.

Winchester, Va., Dec. 17.—Zero weather prevails in northern Virginia for the first time in several years.

At Winchester the thermometer registers three degrees above zero. Reports from the mountains of Western Frederick indicate zero and below. A foot of snow covers the ground and all streams are frozen over.

FOUR COUNTRY COUSINS.

The feature act at the Crystal Palace this week will be "Four Country Cousins," a quartette of clever artists, who present a series of true-to-life stage pictures of the comic side of country life. Their opening act is a combination of rural comedy with singing and dancing features including "The Aerial Twins," billed as vaudeville's greatest ceiling walkers and upside-down musicians. This company will present three entire changes of programme during the week. The bill for Wednesday and Thursday nights will be "Recess at the Old Red School" and Friday and Saturday nights "Calamity Jane." This quartette comes here direct from the Grand Theatre at Columbia, S. C., where they drew packed houses nightly as shown by reports of both the manager and the press.

A Simple Safeguard for Mothers.

Mrs. D. Gilkeson, 326 Ingles Ave., Youngstown, Ohio, gained wisdom by experience. "My little girl had a severe cold and coughed almost continuously. My sister recommended Foley's Honey and Tar. The first dose I gave her relieved the inflammation in her throat and after using only one bottle her throat and lungs were entirely free from inflammation. Since then I always keep a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar in the house. Accept no substitutes. Robt. R. Bellamy.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

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MALE HELP—Anyone, anywhere, can earn good pay doing light work at home evenings. Send stamp. C. H. Rowan, Chicago, Ill. de 18-1t*

FEMALE HELP—Anyone, anywhere can earn good pay doing light work at home evening. Send stamp. C. H. Rowan, Chicago, Ill. de 18-1t*

BOARD WANTED—January 1st, by one or two young men in private family. State location and terms, one or two in a room. Address "B. M. D.," care Star. de 18-3t.

WANTED—Young man wishes board and room with refined family. Terms reasonable. Address, "D. H.," care Star. de 18-1t*

WANTED—Refined young lady desires room with or without board in private family. References exchanged. Address "K. Y." care Morning Star. de 18-1t.

SECTION 221 J. D. K. P., annual election Monday night, December 19, 1910, in Pythian parlor, 7:30 o'clock. de 18-1t*

WANTED—A bright, quick boy from 12 to 16 years of age to help in country store. One with some experience preferred. Apply to F. F. Dickson, Orbit, N. C. de 18-2t.

ATTENTION ELKS—There will be a special meeting of Wilmington Lodge No. 532 Sunday, December 18, 1910, at 3 o'clock. You are requested to attend. J. O. Reilly, secretary. de 18-1t.

VISIT MY STORE this week for the best home-made candies, 40c. per pound. My line of candies at 5, 10 and 15 cents can not be surpassed by any candy house. Above all it is pure and fresh. At Plummers', 'phone 680. de 18-1t.*

SWEET CREAM and fresh ground cocoanut all the week. Send your orders early, as I have the best sweet cream in the city, 50 cents quart. Plummer's, 'phone 680. de 18-1t.*

A CHRISTMAS PRESENT for that newly-wedded son or daughter, and one which would always be greatly appreciated is an excellent building lot on Fifth street, between Nun and Church streets. The size is 33x82 feet with alley in rear. The price is $1,500. For particulars see D. R. Foster & Co., 206 Princess street. de 18-1t.

TO THE PUBLIC—We are now in a position to take orders for any amount fresh whipping cream for Christmas and holidays, excellent quality. When you furnish vessel and send for, the price will be 50 cents per quart. When we furnish vessel and deliver, the price will be 60 cents per quart. Shadeland Dairy, 'phone 468. de 18-tf.

WANTED—Salesmen for city and nearby counties, to sell a line of men's, women's and children's 15 cent and 25 cent hosiery to the retailer on commission basis. Only men with established trade will be considered. This is a small, compact line and will work well as a side line for men calling on department stores and haberdashers. Triangle Hosiery Mills, Inc., Patethorp and Oxford streets, Philadelphia. de 18-1t*

SIDE LINE TRAVELING salesmen make $30 to $50 weekly handling our latest production of advertising fans. Liberal terms. Apply at once. United States Calender Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. de 18-1t*

FOR SALE—Several choice building lots on Market street. Small cash payment, balance monthly payments. Best building lots in the city and a splendid investment. Dr. J. W. Powell. de 18-1t.

FOR RENT—Large front room, suitable for two persons. Modern residence. Electric lights and telephone. Every convenience. High class table. Private family. Address "Rent," care Star. de 18-1t*

WANTED—First of January, efficient male stenographer, one who can rise and get to work early in the morning. Address reply in own handwriting to P. O. Box 908. de 18-1t.

SWITCHES, pompadours, puffs, etc., from cut hair and combings. Prices reasonable. 16 North Ninth street, 'phone 1070. de 18-1t*

THE BEUTY SHOP has an elegant line of new large puffs and switches. Have your hair shampooed for Christmas. Bad cold? Get a massage. 404 North Seventh street. 'Phone 1543. de 18-1t*

WOOD—Come to Whitemen's wood yard, Seventh and Hanover streets, or 'phone 850 for your Christmas wood. de 18-1t.

BEAUTIFUL salax leaves for Christmas decorations. Mailed anywhere, 25 cents per hundred. Frank D. Bell, Tuxedo, N. C. de 18-1t*

WANTED—By January 10th, situation as bookkeeper and salesman, experienced in bookkeeping sales department. Address "K. P. H." postoffice Box 22, Pages Mill, N. C. de 18-1t*

ROOM FOR RENT—Within five minutes walk of A. C. L. offices, or postoffice. Address "D. X." care Star. de 18-1t*

THREE OR FOUR room apartment for rent within five minutes walk of A. C. L. offices or postoffice. Address "D. X." care Star. de 18-1t*

FOR SALE—One Victor typewriter. Proctically new. Address P. O. Box 76, City. de 18-1t.

A. S. WINSTEAD & SON—We have 180,000 oranges, schooner arrived yesterday, offering them at $15 per thousand. Oranges $1.50 a hundred delivered. Send in your orders early. 'Phone 205. de 15-10t

SEE US TODAY—Dressed chickens and turkeys; also line of nice country liver pudding and sausage. North Carolina hams, best of beef, veal and lamb, oysters, all kinds. Give us your orders today and get the best. Palace Market Co., Phone 72. de 17-tf.

WANTED—at once a six-room cottage with modern improvements. Must be centrally located. K. C. Sidbury. de 16-3t.*

FOR SALE OR RENT—By January 1st, complete novelty plant. Address for particulars, N. K. Cashwell, Fairmont, N. C. de 14-17t

WANTED—Rooms suitable for light housekeeping by January 1st. Address "C" care the Star. d 14-2t.

DO YOU WANT to save 50 to 100 per cent. on new solid gold jewelry, bracelets, lockets, watches, chains, rings and cuff buttons? See Uncle Charles, 108 Market street, near Front. de 14-tf.

DO YOU WANT a home between Dock and Nun and Front and Sixth streets. Building new and with modern conveniences. Smith & Lord, agents, 120 Princess street. 'Phone 706. de 13-tf.

FOR SALE—A splendid farm near city. Residence and two tenant houses. Address Box 432, City. de 13-1w.

FOR PLUMBING repairs call R. T. Wells, 'phone 1531, at 503 Walnut street. nov. 24-1mo.

TO THE LADIES—Has it ever occurred to you how far a dozen of your photographs will go in remembering your friends at Christmas time. A well executed photograph is a most acceptable remembrance. We make the kind that pleases. Foltz & Kendrick, Southern Building. nov. 6-tf.

FOR SALE—Ludwig upright standard piano, mahogany finish. A bargain to someone who desires a first-class instrument. Apply to Mrs. J. H. Niggel, 411 Walnut street, or call 'phone 227. nov. 15-tf.

WILMINGTON SANITARIUM. Front and Castle streets, a modern institution for the treatment of medical and surgical diseases. Especially equipped for the scientific treatment of asthmatic, catarrhal, kidney, genito-urinary, rectal, tuberculosis, rheumatic and skin diseases. Massage, Turkish, vapor and hot air baths. Mrs. Eliza McDuffie, superintendent. Charles T. Harper, M. D., medical director. nov. 30-tf.

LOST—Monday on Princess street, possibly on car line, cravat with gold stick-pin attached, with initials, "W. H. B." Reasonable reward if left at Star office. de 7-3t.

THE PROFESSIONAL tailor can furnish you anything you may want in the merchant tailoring line. All work guaranteed at modern prices. Leger Meyer, Princess street, Princess Building, Second floor. de 12-su-tf.

SMITH & LORD, insurance and real estate, 'phone 706. Call us up and if you need insurance or wish to buy or sell real estate we now have some nice dwellings in good locations for sale. de 13-tf.

WANTED—500 to 1,000 cords of four-foot pine wood. Pay cash on arrival. Address Box 187, Wilmington, N. C. nov. 11-2mo.

WAKE UP! Spread out! Advertise! Multigraph imitation typewritten circulars, cheap as printing; better results. All classes typewriting and notary work. Meares Harriss, Notary Public, stenographer, 114 Princess street, 'phone 708. de 1-tu-su-thu-tf.

CALL PURE FOOD MARKET for your fresh steaks or fresh codfish, salmon, halibut, haddock and smelts. Also best fresh ments, fruits and vegetables. Prompt delivery. D. M. Davis, proprietor. 'Phone 1493. de 6-tf.

WANTED—Traveling salesman. Salary nd expenses. Big demand for our goods. Answer quick as territory is limited. Sales Manager, N. 207 South Commercial street. St. Louis, Mo. ja 9 eo su 2tf

FOR SALE—One 80 h. p. boiler, one 60 h. p. engine. Both engine and boiler in splendid condition. Box 194, City. de 13-1w.

ATTRACTIVE home for sale in fine location. Particulars given on request. Smith & Lord, agents, 120 Princess street. 'Phone 706. de 13-tf

WANTED—A first-class railroad section master, must be strictly sober and thoroughly understands the work. Whiteville Lumber Co., Whiteville, N. C. de 16-3t.

ORANGES, ORANGES—Sweetest on earth, schooner Blanche lying at Springer Coal Company's wharf. $1.50 per hundred. Come early before all are gone. J. T. Albury, master. de 16-4t.

LET US FIGURE on repainting and repairing your old buggies, wagons and automobiles. We can save you money. Wilmington Carriage Works, 1103 Castle street. 'Phone 1019. oct. 23-tf.

WANTED TO BUY, residence well located, on or near car line. Seven rooms exclusive of kitchen, pantry and bath. One-story cottage preferred, with lot 60x165. Address "Home Comfort," care Star office.

LOW PRICES ran him crazy, but when he found where to sell Jerusalem oak seed, tongue, hides, raw furs and produce to good advantage, he immediately became sane again, when he got acquainted with C. D. Gilbert, 209 Market street. nov. 26-1m.

Raisins.

1120 lbs. 3 Crown Raisins.
4850 Florida Oranges.
69 bbls. Baldwin Apples.
47 Bags C. C. Nuts.
750 lbs. Quaker City Ices.
675 lbs. Chocolate Drops.
900 lbs. Mixed Candy.
2450 lbs. Stick Candy.
48 Tubs up-to-date Asst.
69 Tarbell Cheese.
68 Tubs Creamery Butter.

Use Bunker Hill Flour for Christmas Cooking.

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The young housewife need not fear losing her girlish figure lines—she can do anything in a Warner's Corset and look as fresh as a daisy when she is through. The right corset makes work easy, too. A sense of support is given, but the chief thing is that the figure beauty is preserved. The young matron may always keep her figure if she is just a little careful. Warner's are economical, too—they can be tubbed, as they are rust-proof—and there is never the necessity for repairing, as they are guaranteed not to break or the fabric tear.

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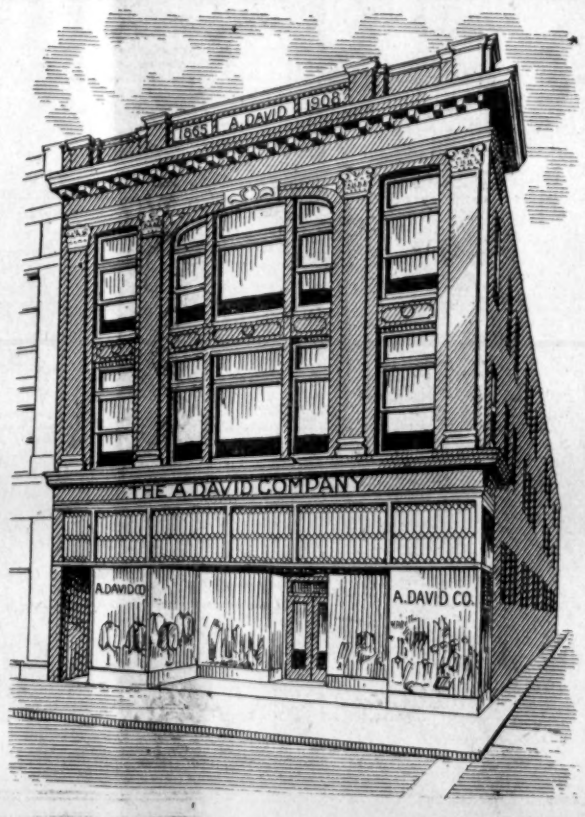

IT'S a lot easier to buy Christmas presents for a woman than for a man; and, as a rule, men have the easier job, and women the harder. If you ladies would go at it the way a man does, you'd find it a good deal easier than you do. A man goes where women's things are; and buys. Why dont you ladies go where a man's things are? Here are

Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes.

Here's your headquarters for Christmas gifts such as men want. Gloves; hosiery in boxes. Fine umbrellas; Lounging Robes; smart neckwear; fancy waistcoats; house jackets and sweater coats; leather goods of all kinds; men's jewelry. You can spend anything from 25 cents up to $25, and get a good thing.

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Holiday Opening—Don't Miss It

On Thursday, Dec. 15th, at 10 o'clock A. M., we will make our first special holiday offering.

Prices quoted are for cash only, no exchanges. Quantity not limited to any customer.

Diamond A Velvet Rugs, 27x54, each $1.00
Diamond A Velvet Rugs, 36x63, each $2.15
Congress Velvet Rugs, 27x54, each $1.50
Congress Velvet Rugs, 36x72, each $2.75
Axminster Rugs, 27x54, each $1.65
Axminster Rugs, 36x72 each $3.15
Brussell Rugs, 9x12 each $13.50
Seamless Brussell Rugs, 9x12, each $16.50
Velvet Rugs, 9x12, each..$18.50
Seamless Velvet Rugs, 9x12, each $19.50
White Bed Spreads, good size, good quality, each.....$1.10
Lace Curtains, three yards long, per pair 75c
Portieres, full size, pair...$2.75
Couch Covers .....$1.50 and up
Window Shades, each.....21c
Pictures, Mauthau 300, good frames, choice subjects.
Pictures, 16x20, 75c to....$3.50
Pearl Pictures, each.....$1.50
Children's Arm Rocker, cane and cobbler seats,.....65c
Ladies' Sewing Rockers...$1.15
A good Arm Rocker, cane seat, ...$1.60
Good solid seat arm Rockers, oak or mahogany finish..$1.90
Dinner Sets, 100 pieces...$7.75
Imported China Dinner Sets, 100 pieces $13.75
Genuine Haviland, 100 pieces $23.00
Toilet Sets, decorated, large jar, ...$4.95
Rayo Lamps, each.....$1.60
Centre Tables, small, ...65c
Medium $1.00
Large $1.30
Fancy Parlor Tables, quartered oak or genuine mahogany, very cheap.
Oak Dressers, 24x30, bend French mirrors $8.90
Chiffonieres from $6.50 to $50.00
Buffets and Side Boards, from $10.50 to $50.00
Iron Beds, from $2.30 to $25.00
Brass Beds, see them in the window, from $17.50 to $65.00
Ladies' Desks, from $6.75 to $20.00

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